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## SPRING House Cleaning!

### PARKER'S NEW WALL PAPERS, NEW BORDERS, NEW CEILINGS.

NEW PAINTS,  
NEW WALL COLORS,  
NEW KALSOMINE BRUSHES.  
NEW PAINT BRUSHES.

### SPECIAL MIXED FLOOR PAINTS.

Dries hard, and in the shortest possible time.

### FINEST PAINT OILS, PUREST DRY COLORS.

### Something New for the House and Store: SOFT OIL SOAP.

Cleans everything without trouble, without injury, and renews and freshens Paint and Varnish.

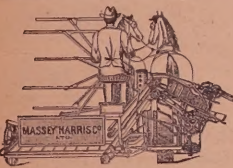
In devoting so much attention to our Wall Paper Trade, it has more than doubled since last year. This means we are giving good values and carrying the very latest Stocks.

### Drug Department \* \* \*

This Department is always first, and demands the most careful attention.

Moth Camphor, Paint-Soap,  
Chloride of Lime, Lye, and Copperas,  
Coloring and Dye Stuffs, for Spring.

## Parker's Drug Store



If you want a first class  
BINDER—  
Get the Massey-Harris  
If you want a first class  
BICYCLE—  
Get a Massey-Harris  
It will pay you before you buy to see  
G. L. SCOTT,  
Agent Massey-Harris Co. Limited.

## HELLO THERE!

Do you want a good MILK CAN?  
We have one that will stand the wear.  
It's bound to suit you.

We have a full line of  
Dairy Pails,  
Milk Pans, etc.

Call and see our stock of  
**SEEDS**  
All kinds on hand.  
**H. & J. WARREN,**  
THE HARDWARE & TINWARE MERCHANTS,  
MILL ST.

### PERSONALS.

Jas. Parker, B.A., arrived home from Queen's University, Kingston, on Monday morning last.  
Mr. Chas. Smith, of Campbellford, was in town on Tuesday.  
Miss Florence McWilliams, of Marmora, has been visiting with relatives in town.  
Mr. Irving Smart, B.A., late of Queen's University, is on his way to his home in Riverside, California, is the guest of Mr. Jas. Parker.  
Miss Geraldine Holey arrived home on Saturday morning last, after an absence of over two months. She was accompanied by Miss May Snider and Mr. Snider, of Brighton, who remained here until Sunday.

The Ah-Wa-Go Medicine Co. is here, and holding out in front of the Stirling House each evening. They intend to remain here about a week.

**Christianity and Science.**  
"Christianity and Science" (manilla covers, 10 cents; cheaper form, 5 cents) is one of the excellent pamphlets forming "The Anti-Fetish Library" of H. L. Hastings, Boston, Mass. It shows the wonderful agreement between the Bible and modern scientific discoveries, and is one of the best works of its size ever written. Send for a copy.

Near Newmarket on Saturday evening Mrs. Luther Miller, Mrs. Mary Morton, Wm. H. Peters and Edwin Lundsted were killed at a crossing of the G.T.R., Northern Division.

**Lady's Bicycle Cheap.**  
We have for sale at the Oak Hall, Belleville, one only Lady's Pioneer Bicycle. This is an up-to-date wheel, 28 1/2 inch, all the latest improvements and a fine spring saddle. The regular price would be \$40, but we have only the one, and the first comer may have it for \$30 cash. If you are interested you want to speak quickly.

## PARKER BROTHERS BANKERS, STIRLING, ONTARIO.

A General Banking Business transacted.

4 per cent. allowed on Deposits.  
Drafts bought and sold on all parts of Canada, United States and Great Britain.  
Money to let on Mortgages at low interest.  
Office hours from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
F. E. PARKER. R. PARKER, M.D.

**ADVERTISING NOTICES.**  
In the local column will be charged as follows:  
To Regular Advertisers—Three lines and under, 25 cents each insertion; over three lines, 75c. per line. Matter set in larger than the ordinary type, 10c. per line.  
To Transient Advertisers—10c. per line each insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

**RAILWAY TIME TABLE.**  
Trains leave at Stirling station as follows:  
Ottawa west, 10:30 a.m.  
Mail, 6:15 p.m. Mail, 2:30 p.m.  
Mixed, 6:32 p.m. Mixed, 10:30 a.m.

### The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1898.

### LOCAL MATTERS.

The price of bread has been raised to twelve cents per loaf.

Rev. H. Spencer, of North Addington, has been appointed by the Bishop to the parish of Stirling.

You get the best value in Plow Boots at Martin & Reynolds.

The first regular meeting of the Stirling Officers Board will be held on Wednesday next, May 11th, in Mr. J. S. Black's office. A full attendance of members is requested.

The machinery for Mr. Wm. Montgomery's steam laundry arrived here a few days ago and is being placed in position. He expects to have it ready for operation next week.

See the up-to-date Sittings at ward's.

A number of Oddfellows from Stirling Lodge No. 239 attended the funeral of Mr. Jas. Holbert, who was buried at Thomsburg on Sunday, May 1st. The funeral was conducted by the Madoc Lodge.

A year ago the fence in front of the High School was removed, and a few days since the fence in front of the Public School was also taken away. The removing of the fences makes a great improvement.

We have that Hat for you at ward's.

At the closing exercises in connection with Queen's University, Kingston, which took place last week, the degree of B. A. was conferred on Jas. Parker, of this village, and A. J. Meiklejohn, of Big Springs. We congratulate both these gentlemen on their success.

A Hot Time this week in ward's advt.

A petition, praying the Council to pass an Early Closing By-Law, has been circulated during the past week, and has been signed by nearly all of our merchants. It provides for early closing on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings of each week, at 6 p.m., from June 1st to September 1st.

Men's Low Shoes, sizes 5 and 6, from 75c. up at Martin & Reynolds.

A young son of Mr. Albert Bird met with a painful accident on Sunday last. He was leading a horse to water when it attempted to get away, and the little fellow was thrown violently down, his face coming in contact with some sharp substance, cutting it badly, and breaking the bones of the nose. Dr. Meiklejohn dressed his wounds.

Mr. Golding, hotelkeeper, Marmora, was fined the sum of \$90.00 and costs for selling liquor on Sunday. He was also fined a small sum for another violation of the license act. Since the 24th of March last no less than seven charges of violation of the license act have been laid by the Inspector, and fines inflicted in every case. And there are "more to follow."

Did you get your Hat in the rush at ward's last Saturday? If not, it's here yet.

The sad news was received on Monday evening last of the death of John McDougall, in Montreal. His remains arrived here on Wednesday morning, and were interred in Stirling cemetery. Mr. McDougall was well known in this village and vicinity, having lived in Stirling all his life until a few years since, when he went to Montreal; and his many friends here will regret his death. He was in the 81st year of his age.

As announced last week Mr. W. E. Ramsey gave two entertainments in the Music Hall on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday last. It is acknowledged by all that his entertainments are the best that have visited our village for a long time. The scenery shown by the cinematograph are excellent and life-like; while the songs and stories given in Mr. Ramsey's inimitable style stamp him as the prince of entertainers, and highly delighted the audience. The entertainments were under the patronage of the Public School, and will add something to the library fund, enabling the school to enlarge its already excellent library. Miss Currie, (Monday) and Mrs. Carstairs (Tuesday) were the accompanists, and rendered excellent music.

Warkworth merchants have adopted the early closing movement.

Rev. Eber Crumme, B. A., B. Sc.,  
Coming to Stirling.

The Epworth League has been fortunate in securing the services of one of Canada's most eloquent and forcible speakers, for Tuesday evening May 10th. On that evening Rev. Eber Crumme, B. A., B. Sc., late Dean of Theology in the College of Tokyo, Japan, will deliver a lecture on life in Japan, in the Methodist Church. Those who heard Mr. Crumme on Good Friday evening, in the Presbyterian Church, in connection with the young people's Convention will want to hear him again, and all who had not the privilege then will miss a rare treat if they do not hear him now. Lecture to commence at 8 o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

### Church Service of C.O.O.F.

The Canadian order of Oddfellows of Stirling purpose holding their Church parade on Sabbath May 15th. The following sister lodges have been invited, viz., Marmora, Trenton, Sidney, Springbrook, Madoc and Halloway. The above lodges will meet at the C.O.O.F. lodge room, over Wm. Holden's store, and march to the Methodist Church. The Rev. W. D. P. Wilson has been invited to deliver an address on the subject of Oddfellowship. Hour of service 8.30 p.m.

We understand preparations are being pushed forward for a grand celebration here on the 24th of May. The Hastings Lacrosse club will come here for the day, as also Madoc Club, and a good game of lacrosse will be played by these famous clubs, the best in the district. The Stirling Cornet Band is putting itself in trim by faithful practice, and will furnish good music, assisted by the Madoc Band. Make your arrangements to spend the 24th in Stirling.

### Married.

KERR-KENNEDY.—In St. John's Church, Halloway, on April 28th, by the Rev. R. J. Carford, WILLIAM HENRY KERR to MARY ANN KENNEDY, both of Marmora.

### Deaths.

BASS.—In Halloway, on April 28, MARIA BASS, aged 62 years, 3 months and 28 days.

HOLBERT.—At Thomsburg, on April 28th, JAMES HOLBERT, aged 35 years, 11 months and 11 days.

SINE.—In Rawdon, on May 1st, SARAH E. SINE, wife of Perry Sine, aged 43 years, 7 months and 25 days.

WEDDELL.—At Trenton, on May 3rd, 1898, ROBERT WEDDELL, Sr., aged 75 years.

### STIRLING MARKET.

Butter—15c to 15c per lb.  
Eggs, fresh—8c to 8c, per doz.  
Farmers' Lard—10c to 10c per lb.  
Apples, green—75c to \$1.00 per bag.  
Potatoes—45c to 50c per bag.  
Timothy seed—\$2.00 to \$2.25 per bus.  
Hay—\$8.00 to \$8.00 per ton.  
Oats—30c to 30c per bus.  
Peas—55c to 55c per bus.  
Rye—50c to 50c per bus.  
Barley—35c to 35c per bus.  
Buckwheat—80c to 40c per bus.  
Wheat—85c to 50c per bus.  
Deakins 50c.

## WANTED.

500 Bags of GOOD POTATOES, for which we will pay 45cts. cash or trade.

### HUNGARIAN & MILLET.

We have a good supply on hand of the above, which we can guarantee to be free from any foul seed.

### FLOUR.

When you buy Flour at this store you get what you pay for. If it is not exactly as represented return it and we will refund your money.

### SALT.

We have both WINDSOR and CLINTON SALT.

WE PAY 8 CENTS FOR EGGS.

WM. HOLDEN.

## The War Is On And We are In It

With the finest line of Footwear that you have seen in Stirling. We are waging a war against high prices but at the same time give you the latest and best the market affords.

Look at these prices for strictly New Goods:

Ladies' fine Dongola Oxfords, coin toe, patent tip, \$1.00.  
Ladies' good solid Tan Oxfords, a neat one, \$1.10.  
Ladies' fine Dongola Button Boot, coin toe, patent tip, \$1.25.  
Men's Fine Boots from \$1.00 up.  
Men's Chocolate and Tan Boots from 75c. up.  
Girls' and Misses' Fine Oxfords from 75c. up.  
Men's Plow Boots, any kind you want, every pair priced right.

Our Bargain Baskets are being rapidly emptied, but we fill them every day at 25c., 50c. and 75c.

### MARTIN & REYNOLDS.

BRING US YOUR BUTTER AND EGGS.

## THE MAP OF THE WORLD IS CHANGING!

And at the Corner Store of J. BOLDRICK & SON you will find a nice line of all that gentlemen require to wear. Our HATS especially are quite up-to-date. As usual, we float with the changing scenes of fashion, which Solomon pronounced all vanity. We invite all who know or value a good class of goods to call and see us.

JAS. BOLDRICK & SON.

## WE HAVE SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR YOU THIS WEEK IN THE TEA LINE.

Having purchased a Bankrupt Tea Stock in Toronto, we are prepared to sell you 25c. Black and Japan Tea for 15c. a pound. This is a Bargain you should not miss.

## Only Two More Weeks BEFORE WE MOVE

And the knife goes in deeper than ever, so don't lose the chance of your lifetime to buy choice goods at exceptionally low prices

E. F. PARKER.

### THE NEWS-ARGUS

ONLY \$1.00 PER ANNUM.

## HARDWARE!

I expect to move into my new store next week, with a full and complete stock of Shelf and Heavy Hardware.

I have two carloads of Goods coming in, which have been purchased at rock bottom prices. MIXED PAINTS, OILS, WHITE LEAD, SCREEN DOORS & WINDOWS, BICYCLES, STOVES, TINWARE, BARB WIRE, ETC.

My shop has all the latest improvements, with track and sliding ladders, also will be lit up with acetylene gas.

I welcome all to my new store, and solicit your valued trade.

L. MEIKLEJOHN.

### THE Stirling News-Argus

is published every Thursday morning at the office of publication, North street, Stirling just north of Parker's drug store, by JAMES CURRIE.

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Correspondence is invited on all legitimate subjects, the real name of the writer to be furnished the editor in every case. This rule can have no exception.

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Advertisements without specific instructions inserted full, and charged accordingly. Notice, Marriages and deaths inserted free. JOB PRINTING at every door price negotiated in neat and fashionable style, and on short notice.



# THE STIRLING NEWS-ARGUS.

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\$1.25 IF NOT PAID IN ADVANCE.

STIRLING, HASTINGS COUNTY, ONT., THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1898.

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## BUSINESS CARDS.

**T. E. OLIVER, D.D.S.,**  
DENTIST,  
HONOR GRADUATE OF TORONTO UNIVERSITY, and M.R.C.D.S. of Ontario.  
Office—Over Parker's Drug Store.  
Will visit Marmora every Thursday.

**FRANK ZWICK, M.B.,**  
GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO Medical College, Licentiate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario.  
Office and Residence—Dr. Boulter's former residence, Stirling.

**G. G. THRASHER,**  
SOLICITOR, NOTARY PUBLIC, CONVEYANCER, ETC.  
Office: McManney Block, Cor. Front and Bridge Streets.

**J. EARL HALLIWELL, B.A.,**  
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, COMMISSIONER.  
Office over Boldrick's store, Stirling.

**W. J. McCAMON,**  
BARRISTER, ETC., BELLEVILLE, ONT.  
Office: McManney Block, Cor. Front and Bridge Streets.

**W. P. McMAHON,**  
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, NOTARY PUBLIC, CONVEYANCER, ETC., Belleville, Ont.  
Private Money to Loan at Lowest Rates.  
Offices, East side Front St.

**JOHN S. BLACK,**  
CONVEYANCER, COMMISSIONER FOR TAKING ADVERTISEMENTS.  
Office, over the store lately occupied by G. L. Scott, Stirling.

**BAILIFFS AND AUCTIONEERS.**  
**CHARLES BUTLER AND HARRY HARRIS,** Bailiffs and Licensed Auctioneers for the County of Hastings. Satisfaction guaranteed. All orders promptly attended to. Butler, issuer of Marriage Licenses, as usual. Residence, Stirling, Ont.

**STIRLING LODGE**  
**I. O. O. F.**  
Meets in the Lodge room, every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.  
G. L. SCOTT, R. S.

**DENTISTRY.**  
**C. L. HAWLEY, D.D.S.**  
TRENTON, GRADUATE OF THE TORONTO School of Dentistry, will visit Stirling professionally, the second and last Friday in each month until further notice. The Dental Engine, Vitalized Air, Gas, and all the modern improvements known to dentistry, will be used for the painless extraction and preservation of the natural teeth. Rooms at Scott House.

**B. O. HUBBELL,**  
MARMORA.  
ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENCES AND Justice of the Peace for County Hastings.

**A. E. TWEEDE, V.S., Stirling.**  
Office one door west of the Kerby Hotel. All calls promptly attended day and night.

**STIRLING MARBLE WORKS.**  
**JOHN MOORE,**  
IMPORTER OF FOREIGN MARBLE AND GRANITE, has now on hand a full supply of Marble in Southern Falls and Blue; also, Granite. A call solicited. Shop on Front Street.

Note Heads, Envelopes,  
Billheads, Circulars,  
Cards, Posters,  
—AND—  
**JOB PRINTING**  
OF ALL KINDS, AT  
LOWEST RATES,  
At News-Argus Office

**Notice to the Public.**  
THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING TAKEN out a license as Auctioneer for the County of Hastings is prepared to attend all sales on short notice. Terms as low as the lowest, and satisfaction guaranteed. Orders left at the News-Argus office or addressed to me at Stirling, will be promptly attended to.  
WM. RODGERS.

**SWINE BREEDERS, ATTENTION**  
I have for service Thoroughbred Duroc Jersey, Poland China, and two Tamworth Boars, registered, Thoroughbred Tamworth Pigs for sale, either sex. Also, a fine young Tamworth Boar. Terms reasonable.  
W. T. SINE,  
Lot 12, Con. 5, Rawdon, Sine P. O.

**WANTED—Teachers and other bright men for vacation or permanently to solicit for Canada: An Encyclopedia of the Country, a five royal quarto volumes. No delivery. Complete. The LINCOLN PUBLISHING CO., TORONTO.**

**AGENTS:**  
A job business is better than for years past. I have better and more selling books. Some clearing from \$10 to \$100. A few leaders are "Queen Victoria," "Life of Nelson," "My Mother's History," "Progressive Speller," "Woman," "Klondike Gold Fields," "Glories of the Union," "Breakfast," "Dinner and Supper." Books on time.  
BRADLEY-GARRIBSON COMPANY, LIMITED, TORONTO.

## SPAIN'S NAVY BLOWN UP! —BUT— PRICES BLOWN DOWN AT WARD'S. DON'T MISS READING THIS.

Clipper Neck Ties, 5c.  
Four-in-Hand Ties, 10c., 3 for 25c.  
Ready-made Knot Ties, 15c., worth 25 cents.  
Bow Ties, 15c., 20c., 25c.  
Black Cashmere Hose, 25c., 30c., worth 50c.  
Black Cotton Hose, 15c., 2 pairs for 25c.  
Colored Merino Hose, 15c., worth 25 cents.  
Colored Cotton Hose, 4 pairs for 25c.

TOOKE'S \$1.00 WHITE SHIRT.  
King colored bosom Shirts, \$1.00, worth \$1.25.  
Negligé Shirts, 50c., worth 75c.  
Manhattan, a Colored Shirt, 75c., worth \$1.00.  
Black Sateen Shirts, 50c., 75c., \$1.00.  
Fancy Pleated Bosom Shirts, 75c. and \$1.00.  
Flannellette Shirts, 20c.

### Don't go Shirtless.

Bicycle Sweaters, 60c., 75c., \$1.00.  
Bicycle Suits and Cap, .55.  
Bicycle Belts, 25c., 50c.  
We are making very nice Suits to order for \$10. Call and see them at

## WARD'S, Your Tailor & Outfitter.

## The PEOPLE'S STORE

IS CERTAINLY THE PLACE TO BUY HONEST GOODS, AND  
ALWAYS ONE PRICE TO ALL.

### Dress Goods.

Only a few Dresses left at 35c. a yard, regular price 50c. Big Bargains. Come early and be suited.  
We expect some of the latest designs in Pattern Dresses here on Saturday. Gimps and Silk to match.

Any person wanting a fine MUSLIN DRESS, newest things, be sure and come Saturday. First come, first served.

PRINTS.—We are now ready to show a fresh lot.

CHALLIES.—A few are selling at a great reduction to make room for Summer Goods.

LADIES' GLOVES, Silk, 40c., 25c., 15c., 10c., 5c.

LADIES' HOSE now in stock, 7c., 10c., 12c., 15c. and upwards. Don't go elsewhere expecting to do better. Can suit you all.

SCHOOL BOYS' HOSE.—We have a full line of Boys' Ribbed Hose, (heavy) from the smallest to the largest size.

A new line of SAILOR HATS selling at 25c. Always a fresh, up-to-date stock of other shapes on hand.

GROCERIES, ALL FRESH.—Japan Tea at 25c., a bargain. Come and try a sample package and be convinced we have the best in town.

CASH PAID FOR EGGS. (HOUSE TO RENT.)

## C. F. STICKLE.

## Her Watch Wouldn't Go

I peeped into her watch when she said "the old thing wouldn't go." After a hasty glance I didn't wonder, and my diagnosis was "Indigestion." Pasted against the inner side of the case were: 1.—A portrait of her first love. 2.—Some dead forget-me-nots. 3.—A four-leaved clover. Between the inner cover and the works were two pictures and a recipe for cold cream. And still the obstinate thing refused to go. How is your watch running? A little slow? A little fast? Is it out of repair? If so bring it to me and have it fixed right.

## W. H. CALDER, OPTICIAN & JEWELER.

N.B.—Just received a new line of Gold Watches with 15 and 17 Jewelled Adjusted Movements, at very close prices.

## YOU NEED IT!

SPRING time has come again, and with it House Cleaning, and you need new Furniture to replace that which is getting worn and broken, or to furnish rooms that you never felt before that you could furnish to your liking. Now, the best place to get what you want in this line is at JAS. RALPH'S, Stirling. He has a splendid assortment, and will sell it to you at prices that cannot be beat in the city. Just call and examine. It is a pleasure to show goods, and you will find the prices right.

## CURTAIN POLES AND WINDOW SHADES

... AT LOWEST PRICES. ...

## PICTURE FRAMING

A large Stock of Mouldings to select from, and prices as low as any in the trade.

## JAMES RALPH.

### FRESH LIME.

The subscriber has now on hand for sale a quantity of Fresh-burned Lime.  
JAS. COULTS,  
Lot 14, 3rd Con. Rawdon.

### 5 PER CENT.

I have a limited amount of funds to loan on first class Farm Property at 5 per cent. Also, Money to loan on Village, Town or City property, to be repaid by paying \$1.00 per month per \$100.00. This will enable any person to pay for a home, and expenses shows a larger percentage of Mortgage are paid off by the borrower on this plan, where his income is periodical, than on the straight loan plan.  
W. C. MIKEL, Barrister,  
Over Bank of Commerce, Belleville, Ont.

### THOROUGHbred JERSEY BULL

With pedigree, for service. Terms 50c. Or will sell on reasonable terms.  
JOHN A. HEATH,  
Lot 11, Con. 5, Rawdon.

### FOR SERVICE.

A large bred Tamworth and Berkshire Boar. Terms 75 cents.  
SANFORD CATERLEY,  
Lot 12, 4th Con. Rawdon.

### Thoroughbred Jersey Bull,

With registered Pedigree, for service. Terms \$1.00.  
O. VANDERVOORT,  
Lot 10, 6th Con. Sidney.

## Of Interest to Fraternal Orders

A discussion of great interest to the thousands of members of fraternal organizations throughout the Canada took place at the meeting of the Banking and Commerce Committee of the House of Commons at Ottawa one day last week. It arose on the bill to incorporate the subsidiary High Court of the Independent Order of Foresters.

Next on the order paper was a kindred measure, to incorporate the Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England Benefit Society.

He stated that Parliament had incorporated the I.O.F. with the powers now asked by the A.O.F., but in 1896 Parliament had amended the I.O.F. bill in order to make the best of a bad bargain.

Mr. Fitzgerald, Superintendent of Insurance, on the ground that the company did not desire to put up a deposit of \$50,000, as provided by the Insurance Act of 1895, and contrary, also, to the provision of that act. The Foresters, he said, had decided to do sick benefit insurance.

He made the announcement, which will probably surprise members of the I.O.F. throughout Canada, that at the next Supreme Court meeting of that body, it was the intention to increase the rates almost to the extent of doubling them. It might be that the rates would affect existing policies, and certainly they would apply to new policies. The A.O.F. rates, he said, were better than those of most other friendly societies, so far as the members who had joined since 1894 were concerned, but, despite this fact, the rates were 20 per cent less than would enable the society fairly to meet their liabilities.

Mr. Fielding and Sir Louis Davies urged the withdrawal of the two bills, but Mr. Clarke thought the two societies having gone the trouble of preparing their legislation, should get their charters, but with a clause inserted in both bills making them subject to the provisions of any legislation which might be enacted by Parliament hereafter.

Mr. Haggart asked Mr. Fitzgerald for the present status of the I.O.F. The superintendent replied that the assets of the society amounted to \$2,750,000, while the amount insured was \$154,000,000.

Mr. Haggart said it would be a terrible thing if any of these societies were to go to smash, and he quite concurred with the suggestion that Parliament should legislate in the matter of fixing the rates.

The preamble of the bill was adopted.

### Cuba Past and Present.

Cuba has been described as the richest spot on earth, and certainly she is rich in productive soil, mineral wealth, a fine climate, and geographical position. It is 775 miles long from end to end, and 150 miles wide. It is about 50 years younger than the United States, and about one-third of its territory is still unoccupied. It contains about 180,000 acres of wood, mahogany, cedar, redwood, rosewood, ebony, and lignum vitae. Its soil is so rich that except for the raising of tobacco no fertilizers are used, although the soil is exhausted by reason of the civil war that has been raging there for the past three years. Whereas 11,000,000 tons of sugar used to be exported annually, now the exports of that article have dropped to 85,000 tons. The value of the exports of molasses has dropped from \$15,500,000 to \$1,500,000, and that of cigars and tobacco from \$25,000,000 to \$5,000,000. The revenue of the sugar plantations used to be \$75,000,000, but has now almost disappeared.

### Large Influx to Canada.

The Interior Department claims that from the beginning of the season up to April 30, 19,641 settlers have gone into western Canada. A large proportion are Galicians. The week ending April 30 shows a total of 1,641 settlers arriving. The agents of the government in the United States are working hard and expect before next winter to add thirty thousand people to the population of Manitoba and the territories.

Mrs. May, of Ashburnham, got her foot caught between a plank and a rail post, and was killed by a C.P.R. express.

The Belleville Klondike party have been heard from at Lake Bennett, waiting for the opening of navigation. They were in good health, and had not suffered from the cold.

### About Bicycle Clothing.

The cheapest suit you can have to ride a wheel is a regular bicycle suit. The Oak Leaf, Belleville, Ont. suit, will not only make a fitting of it, and you may depend on finding all the new and correct things here. 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# THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

## THE VERY LATEST FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER.

Interesting Items About Our Own Country, Great Britain, the United States, and All Parts of the Globe, Condensed and Assorted for Easy Reading.

### CANADA.

The Manitoba Legislature has proposed that the Government purchase its waterworks plant.

Montreal has reduced the tax on bicycles from \$2 to \$1.

French-Canadian in Massachusetts are returning to Quebec.

A rich gold find is reported from the vicinity of Rat Portage.

Montreal refiners advanced the price of sugar by one-sixteenth cent per pound.

Montreal contemplates purchasing a farm near the city as a home for pauper and beggar.

The Railway Committee gave assent to the bill chartering the Toronto & Hudson Bay Railway.

The H. G. & B. Railway shareholders at Hamilton have asked the issue of debentures for \$20,000.

The Dominion line steamship Scotia is the first ocean vessel to reach Montreal this season.

The falling off of the Klondike rush has caused a material reduction in the cost of packing over the pass.

Gait councillors have asked the Government to investigate the manner in which licenses are issued there.

Several London young ladies were badly injured in a runaway.

James Lawson, collector of customs at Fort Erie, has been appointed a local officer to enforce the alien labour law there.

Gunnery Boucher and Paquet deserted from "A" Battery, Kingston, and went to the States to take service in the American army.

The report that Mr. Harris, general traffic manager of the Government system of railways, has resigned, is denied at Ottawa.

It is reported at Montreal that the E. T. R. has commenced the construction of a new line, Charles works of 25 new locomotives.

A number of Italians in Toronto have appealed to the Italian Consul for information as to what route they should take in order to join the Spanish Army.

Councillor Martin, of Woodstock, claims to have been bribed for his vote in the purchase of the new bridge.

He has given the money to the Mayor.

Mr. Bicknell, a Napanee cattle buyer, injured at a railway crossing, was on the G. T. R. has recovered a judgment for \$5,000 damages against the company.

The steamship Andrew Carnegie, Chicago, brought 230 tons of corn to Owen Sound. This is said to be the largest cargo of corn ever floated on fresh water.

The Kingston City Council has declined to consider a request of the Dominion Cotton Mills Co. asking for a bonus of \$50,000. The amount was considered too large.

Charles N. Daly, United States Consul at Guelph, has served The Queen's Herald with notice of a libel action. The alleged libel was contained in a dramatic criticism.

The Fire Advertisers' Association have presented Hamilton with a utility matum calling on the city to improve the water service or pay increased insurance rates after June 1.

The Macdonald-Croft case: an Indian named Carrier died suddenly at the Bullhead of heart disease this week. Some \$20,000 in bonds and mortgages are reported to have been found on his person.

While the members of the Stratford Congregational Church were passing a syncretistic vote, the pastor of Knox Church in the same city was denouncing such acts as being contrary to the neutrality laws.

The St. John N. B. City Council has granted the Canadian Pacific railway all the land required for the enlargement of the grain elevator to one million bushels annually, with conveyors to five steamships.

The Manitoba & North-western Railway Company are seeking to be relieved of their liability to the Manitoba Government and purpose to keep over sufficient of their land grant to cover the amount due the province.

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have been purchased by the United States, and been forbidden to sail from Kingston, Ireland.

Germany threatens to retaliate because of Britain's declaration, at Canada's request, of the Anglo-German treaty.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain announced that the Alsace-Lorraine dispute would be referred to arbitration. He added that in the meantime a modus vivendi would be reached.

The London Times says: "Our sympathies on the main question, as with the United States, as they are held to be in the right. But on the matter of form, we are not so clear or unanimous."

The suspension of the firm of Sherwood, Thompson & Company, cotton brokers, of Liverpool, is announced. This firm operated throughout the Southern States under the firm name of John Sherwood & Company.

UNITED STATES.

Fifty thousand Californians have already volunteered for service.

Forty thousand men have already volunteered in Massachusetts.

The Standard National Bank at 33rd and Madison avenue, New York, has closed its doors.

Two murderers, Fred Rockwell and Patrick Banya, were hanged at Ridge-way, Pa., on Tuesday.

Moslem Temple, Myrtle Shrine, of Detroit, has sanctioned its proposed visit to Ramones Temple of Toronto, owing to the war.

A United States Government official has made arrangements to purchase 5,000 horses in Canada for war purposes if needed.

Chicago Knights of Pythias have organized one thousand strong to go to the front. Sixteen hundred policemen also volunteered in that number.

The House of Representatives has proposed a bill permitting the purchase of supplies for the army in the open market instead of by contract.

Senator Hoar of Pennsylvania, will leave. Colonel's commission to John Wansmaker, who has offered to equip a regiment at his own expense.

The application of the War Department to the State troops, in the case of the Michigan National Guard, is on file with Adjutant-General Rice, of Michigan.

Orders have been issued closing Portland harbor from 8 p.m. to 4 p.m. Patrol boats will also be on duty outside during the day to guide vessels safely into the harbor.

The vessels St. Louis and St. Paul and Harvard, lately New York, have been fitted with armor protection over all their exposed machinery, and have already received good batteries.

Assistant Secretary Melick, of the United States War Department, has issued a statement that only a limited number of newspaper representatives will be allowed to accompany the army.

Philadelphia was garishly decorated with flags on Saturday, and it was noticeable that the British flag found a place in the display while here and there was the flag of Cuba.

The steamer Cuba, located "three miles west of Oswego, N.Y., and containing 33 male and 19 female inmates, was gutted by fire on Tuesday.

Loss to the company at \$25,000, insured for one half. No one was injured.

The cruiser Charlestown is in bad shape at San Francisco. Her condensing tubes were injured by the recent earthquake.

The American line steamer New York, which has been chartered by the United States Government, arrived at New York Sunday morning. As soon as she was moored all hands were paid off. The crew immediately resigned.

The current mercantile marine rates of wages. Out of the crew of 420 on the St. Louis only seven refused to sign.

GENERAL.

Ecuador is raising a fund to aid Spain in the present war.

Out of 34 storms which reached the French shores in 1906, but 3 were forecast by the central meteorological office.

Many Greeks are presenting themselves at the United States Consulate at Athens, seeking enlistment in the United States Army.

Baron Ito, the Japanese Minister of Commerce, has tendered his resignation to the Emperor. Count Kaneko will succeed him.

The Vienna Fremdenblatt says the torpedo manufacturer at Fiume declined to supply Spain because it had a pressing order from Japan.

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certain that the Government will reserve absolute liberty of action in regard to coal.

The Imperialist of Madrid says: "All the world knows that the Government is unable to fulfill America's demands. The weakness is weak hand. Its real strength is exactly known—five ironclads, two belted cruisers, three fast, and most powerful cruisers, and twelve other cruisers. All the rest are the alms of the alms."

BOSTON MAY BE BOMBARDED.

Spanish Fleet Expected to Attack

A despatch from Washington says: "There is excellent authority for the statement that the Administration believes the Spanish men-of-war now on their way to western waters will appear at some point on the coast, and attempt to do as much damage as possible, and when this work has been completed to sail with all cruisers to Porto Rico, and if necessary to fight their way into San Juan."

As to the point where Spain will strike, the authorities are totally undecided to say. New York is considered in a very good condition to resist attack, but this is not the case with the New England cities and with ports along the Southern coast. Captain W. P. Duval, military aide to Secretary Alger, has been inspecting the defenses of Boston and other New England cities for several days. It was to prevent Spanish privates from ravaging the cities, and that the cruisers of Columbia and Minneapolis were sent to patrol duty, and the mobilization of northern and southern troops.

Providence is with the view of having a naval force handy to resist an attack on any of the north-eastern cities. Instructions to the command officers of the auxiliary cruisers Yankee, Prairie, and Yosemite require them to join the flagship San Francisco at Providence without delay.

Their crews will have gun practice on the way, and will be given as much training as possible. Besides Commodore Howell's squadron, the port will be defended by great guns, and General Merritt will improve the fortifications as much as possible.

READY TO LEAVE.

Queen Regent Only Waiting for a Suitable Moment to Quit Spain.

London, May 6.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "Apartments have been reserved at a hotel here for the Queen Regent. Spain in case she carried before her in her brother's palace. Telegrams from the Austrian Ambassador at Madrid, Count Dubsky, indicate that the Queen Regent is only waiting for a suitable moment to quit Spain, without detriment to the interests of her son."

THE SPANISH FLEET.

A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Cadix, Spain, says: "The battleship Pelayo, and the cruiser Alfonso XIII, have left their anchorage in the bay and gone to the coast. The Spanish fleet is now at sea, and all are expected to sail together. Cadix is overwhelmed by the news of the Philippine disaster. The lost crews numbering many Cadiz men."

BLOWING UP POWDER MILLS.

Spanish spies accused of being responsible for the explosion.

A despatch from Washington says: "Spanish spies are understood to be responsible for the recent explosion of powder mills in California. Official reports made to the War Department, present the strongest kind of circumstantial evidence to this effect, and as a result the authorities of all branches of the Government, who have been keenly alive to Spanish treachery for some time past, have redoubled their vigilance. Recent explosions of powder mills in various parts of the country are generally understood to be the work of some person connected with the Spanish Government. The first of these explosions occurred in the California powder mills situated near the town of Santa Cruz, Cal. Near this place is an immense munition factory, and it is entirely occupied by Spanish Jesuits. In consequence of the sudden destruction of the mills, the War Department was able to get the strongest circumstantial evidence that the explosion was the work of two of the inmates of this establishment. The closest watch is now being maintained upon the inmates, and it is not improbable that some steps will be taken to send them all out of the country."

THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR.

Mr. Thomas H. Sanderson said to be successor to Sir Julian Pauncefote.

A despatch from London says: It is reported that the British Ambassador at Washington is to be succeeded by an official of the British Foreign Office.

Sir Julian Pauncefote's successor is said to be Mr. Thomas H. Sanderson, of the British Foreign Office. The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, one of the most experienced diplomatic officers in the British service.

ELEVEN MEN DROWNED.

The schooner Crown East off St. John's.

A despatch from St. John's, Nfld., says: The schooner Crown, Captain Linahan, was lost off here on Wednesday, and her entire crew, 11 men, all married, perished. The disaster has created a great deal of excitement. The cause of the disaster is not known.

The sailing steamer Terra Nova has arrived here with 20,000 seals.

## WAR PRACTICALLY OVER.

Another Report That at Cadix Would End It.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph says: "The war is practically over. The Government's view, which is that the Spanish fleet will be destroyed, and that the Spanish Government will be forced to yield to superior force, but it is doubtful whether public opinion would approve this line of action. I am assured that the Government would be content to cede Cuba to the United States, but would not pay indemnity, because unable. Well-informed politicians here regard the war as practically terminated, and that the worst of the day it will become history."

All the elements of a long civil war in Spain are unfortunately becoming visible. The Government and the Liberal party are popularly hated as being the cause of the disaster. The Republicans possess no durable chances of success. The Conservatives and Carlists are the great parties of the future, and none of the groups are gravitating toward Carlistism. The economic question however, will come to the front first, for hunger cannot wait."

RIOTS IN SPAIN.

Buildings Set on Fire and Officials Stoned.

A despatch from Madrid, says: "The situation in the provinces is unquiet, and everywhere the dissatisfaction is growing, especially over the prices of bread."

In the town of Aguilas, the Province of Murcia, a mob, mostly composed of women, burned the store-houses and offices.

The fishermen who broke out against the Otorio dues at Gijon, received the most determined assistance from the town garrison. The mob stoned several bakeries, and burned all the coffee offices, with all the papers belonging to the foreign ships loading in the harbour. The civil guard was hotly stoned at the prison, and the mob marched off with the iron bars of the goal. The authorities are sending out their hotly stoned, replying with fire and wounding many. The mob then attacked the Government building, and the authorities are sending out troops again fired, this time from the balconies, and wounded many; but the women kept on throwing stones.

The commander-in-chief of the reserve fleet at Cadix.

WOLSELEY'S OPINION.

Believes the U. S. Cause Just and That the Americans Will Win.

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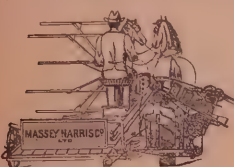
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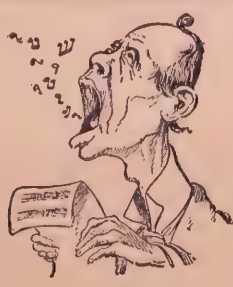
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A large breed Tamworth and Berkshire Boar. Terms 15 cents.  
SANDFORD CAVELEY.  
Lot 12 4th Con. Hawdon.

**Thoroughbred Jersey Bull,**  
With registered Pedigree, for service. Terms \$1.00.  
O. VANDEVOORT.  
Lot 10, 9th Con. Sidney.

## QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the celebration of the Queen's Birthday in Stirling are putting forth every effort to make it a grand success. A program has been issued, giving the sports for the day as follows:

A procession will be formed at 10 o'clock, consisting of Societies, Bicyclists, Calathumpians, the various clubs and others, and march to the Agricultural Grounds. There will be two Bands in the procession. A prize will be given to the most comical character on wheel. Immediately on arrival at the grounds there will be a one-hour lacrosse match, Stirling vs. Madoc Juniors, and on wheel each Bicycle Race will be run off. In the afternoon at one o'clock there will be a procession of the Bands and Lacrosse teams to the Grounds. At 1.30 sharp the Bicycle Races will be finished in alternate heats. Next will be the Lacrosse Match, Hastings seniors vs. Madoc seniors. This will be a very interesting game. The teams are strong and well matched. After the lacrosse match there will be Horse Races, for which there are liberal prizes. Free-for-all, 2.40 class, green race, best drive in town.

The Driving Track and Grounds have been put in first class order, and a grand stand is being erected which will be completed by that time, and which will comfortably seat over 400 people in the most comfortable manner, as it will be seated with chairs.

In the evening there will be a Grand Concert in the Music Hall.

There will be a special train from Madoc, and low rates on the Grand Trunk from other points. There will also be a special train on the C.O.R., and parties coming from Frankfort or Trenton will be met by buses at Anson, and brought here for the small sum of ten cents.

The Hastings Star speaks of the celebration at Stirling as follows:

The majority of our citizens who intend to celebrate the Queen's Birthday are going to Stirling.

Everybody is going to Stirling for the 24th of May to see our boys win the laurels from Madoc. Let one and all take in the trip as there is a first class programme outside of the match. The return fare is only 70c., so any one wanting to spend a pleasant holiday as well as witness one of the swiftest games of lacrosse ever played in this district will be found at Stirling on that day. Train leaves here at 9.15 a.m., and arrives home 8.30 p.m. Everybody wants to go.

## Tuberculosis Infectious.

Dr. W. T. Connell, bacteriologist at Queen's College, writes a letter to the press to prove the infectivity of tuberculosis. He looked into the cases among the cows at Rockwood Hospital for the Insane, and believes it was caused by the cows drinking water from a trough passing from manger to manger, allowing free communication. Much of the material brought up from the lungs of the sick cow in the first case would naturally be coughed into the trough, there to mix with the water supplied to the other animals. He adds: "This ought to be an important object lesson to us, for if one cow can infect another by infecting the food, cannot human beings be infected from the milk of diseased animals? There is no doubt at all in the minds of those capable of judging that milk from such infected herds is dangerous, particularly to children, infants and invalids, who are, in fact, those who partake most freely of this foodstuff."

## Stirling Cheese Board.

As the Stirling Cheese Board, held May 18th, 614 cheese were offered as follows:

	WHITE	COLD
Shamrock	.....	.....
Stirling	.....	.....
Kingston	.....	.....
Maple Leaf	.....	.....
Harold	.....	.....
Big Springs	.....	.....
Enterprise	.....	.....
West Huntingdon	.....	.....
Springbrook	.....	.....
Spry	.....	.....
Marmora	.....	.....
Bell	.....	.....
	191	15

The following sales were made:  
Thos. Watkins, 189 at 7.70c.  
" " 40 at 7.4c.

The teacher of South Hastings made in convention at Belleville on the 20th and 21st inst.

Twoed and Madoc are having an epidemic of measles. One death has occurred from this cause in Madoc—Mrs. Arthur Johnson, aged 87 years.

## Mon's Halfpenny Tread Suits.

There certainly is no suit of clothes made to suit at a low price that can touch a good Halfpenny Tread. When we say good, that is what we mean. The Oak Hall, Belleville, have a complete line in different colors and styles. Our suits are genuine all wool, and will wear like leather.

## ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The following corps will form the volunteer militia camp at Belleville on June 7th—8th Dragoons, 40th, 46th and 49th Battalions.

Rev. W. D. P. Wilson, LL.B., went to Brighton on Wednesday to attend the District Lodge of the C. O. F. E. as representative from Stirling Lodge.

There will be service in St. John's Church, Stirling, at 11 a.m., and 7 p.m., and at St. Thomas' Church, Rawdon, at 8 p.m., on Sunday next, May 22nd.

The farmers are jubilant over the excellent prospects for good crops this year. The weather has been thus far most favorable, and all unite in stating that the country never looked so well at this time of year.

"Kit," well known to readers of the Mail and Empire, has been commissioned to represent that paper at the headquarters of the United States army, and has been granted a pass by the Secretary of War, giving permission to accompany the troops. She is the only lady correspondent who has been granted this privilege. No doubt her letters will be interesting.

Mr. Garabed der Hacopian, an Armenian, lectured in the Methodist Church last night to a fair audience, notwithstanding the unpleasantness of the early part of the evening. The views were mostly the same as those shown in the Presbyterian Church on May 9th, but they were clearer. The address was very interesting, the terrible persecutions the Armenians suffered and the need of the orphans being responded to by a liberal collection. Excellent music was furnished during the evening by local talent.

There was a large turnout of members of the C. O. F. E. for service at the Methodist Church on Sunday last. Besides a full representation of Stirling lodge there were numbers present from Springbrook, Marmora, Madoc and Trenton lodges. The march to and from the Church was headed by the Stirling Band. The Church was crowded, and an excellent discourse was preached by Rev. W. J. Sanders, of Belleville. The choir rendered good music for the occasion.

Last Friday afternoon at Wellman's a friendly match was shot off between a team of eight from the Forest and Streams Club of Stirling and the same number from Wellman's Jubilee Gun Club. The result was a victory for the latter, with the score as follows:

STIRLING.	WELLMAN'S.
Chas. Boldrick	14
J. Shaw	5
Chas. Parker	9
C. Mitchell	4
Wm. Parker	11
Dr. Zwick	7
F. Ferguson	15
H. Boldrick	3
Total	70

## Home Work.

School Inspector Deacon, of Halton, told the county council a few days ago that he believed that to require children to puzzle their brains at night over arithmetic or other problems was dangerous. It was likely to make them sleepless and affect their health. He decidedly disapproved of it. The children who suffered were the brightest and most ambitious. It was possible that the reading at home of history and similar subjects would do no harm; but it was doubtful whether anything was gained by home work of any kind. At Georgetown, for instance, the school board, a year or two ago, forbade it. The result of the change of system was a slight falling off in the standing of the school for the first six months or so; but after the pupils had become used to it the school quickly regained all it had lost, and latterly its position has been fully up to the average.—Ex.

## A May Wedding.

We take the following from the Lindsay Post of May 6th:  
"At 5 o'clock yesterday morning Cambridge St. Methodist Church was the scene of a quiet but pretty wedding, when Miss Julia M. S. Howard, of Cobourg, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Vincent D. Howard, Methodist minister, was united in marriage to Mr. Robert Smyth, first deputy-reeve and ex-mayor of Lindsay. The wedding took place in the presence of a few invited guests. Rev. Thos. Manning, B. A., officiating. The bride was attired in a travelling suit of electric blue, and looked very charming. After receiving many congratulations the happy party adjourned to the residence of Mrs. Koyl, Houd St., where a sumptuous wedding breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Smyth left on the morning train for a honeymoon trip to Peterboro, Port Hope and Cobourg. They intend taking up their residence in the rooms over the Victoria Loan and Savings Co. office. The Post joins with its many readers in wishing the happy couple a long and prosperous married life."

## STIRLING CASH STORE

We have only a few days more before the Queen's Birthday. There are many things you need before then if you intend taking a holiday.

See if you find anything you need in the following lines:

### New Blouses.

Pretty stripes and figured, collar and cuffs attached, fast colors..... 50c.  
Black Satteen, plain and colored figured..... 96c.  
Shot Crash, greens and browns, white collars and cuffs..... \$1 00  
Pretty plaids and stripes, white collars, or of same material..... 1 00  
Big assortment of New Gloves, Black and colors, all prices.

### SPECIAL.

Fast Black, Silk Taffeta..... 25c.  
Ladies' and Children's Mitts, Black and Colored, all prices.  
New Belts, Gold and Silver, newest out..... 50c. and 60c.  
Plain Black Elastic Belts, fancy buckles..... 30c.  
32-inch Print, linen finish, pretty patterns, fast colors, worth 10c., for..... 7c.

### Just opened another case of Ready-to-Wear Clothing.

Sack Coats, Black Venetian, solid all-wool, bound, striped ed Pants, suit..... \$10 00  
Skirt Coat, solid, Black Venetian, unbound, striped pants..... 10 00  
Skirt Coat, solid, Black Venetian, bound, Striped Pants, beautifully made..... 12 50

### SPECIAL.

Solid all-wool Tweed Skirt Coat, per suit..... 8 50  
Just received another lot of our special Men's Fedora Hats... 1 25  
Sweaters, green and blue, with large turndown collar..... 1 25  
Sweaters, with ordinary collar, 80c., \$1.00, \$1.10  
Bicycle Hose, with or without feet..... 50c.  
Ask to see our New Shirts. Newest out.

**T. G. CLUTE.**

## Corn. Corn.

We have just received a car load of Mammoth Southern Sweet Corn. Parties requiring Corn will do well to come to us.

## FLOUR.

We have a good Family Flour for \$2.75 per 100 lbs. If it is not same as represented your money will be refunded.

## Crockery.

A large assortment at low prices.

## Salt.

We keep a good supply of Salt. Also, Millet and Chopped Feed in stock.

Wanted.—Potatoes, Buck-wheat, Butter and Eggs.  
CASH FOR EGGS.

**S. HOLDEN.**

## THE STIRLING STEAM LAUNDRY.

The undersigned will be ready for business Monday, the 22nd of May, when he will do all kinds of Washing and Fine Laundry Work at prices that will compete with other places. Any person trusting me with their work will be fully satisfied as I have secured the best practical man in the Province of Ontario.  
Front Street, opposite T. H. McKee's Harness Shop.  
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WM. RODGERS.

## SWINE BREEDERS, ATTENTION

I have for service Thoroughbred Duroc Jersey, Poland China, and two Tamworth Boars, registered. Thoroughbred Tamworth Pigs for sale, either sex. Also, a fine young Tamworth Boar. Terms reasonable.  
W. T. SINE.  
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## WANTED.—Fences and other bright men

for vacation or permanently to collect for "Canada: An Encyclopedia of the Country" in five royal quarto volumes. No delivering. Commission paid weekly.  
THE LINCOLN PUBLISHING CO., TORONTO.

## AGENTS:

Book business is better than for years past; also have better and more exciting books. Agents clearing from \$10 to \$20 weekly. A few leaders are "Queen Victoria," "Life of Mr. Gladstone," "My Mother's Birthdays," "Treasure Hunter," "Woman," "King of the Wild Fields," "Clippers of the Sea," "Breakfast, Dinner and Supper." Books on BRADLEY-GARRETT COMPANY, LIMITED, TORONTO.



## HOW SHE WON.

"You have neither the feeling of a gentleman nor the honor of a soldier!"

tell of the vigil she has kept. She has been in the nursery several times during the night, and found the child asleep each time; but now he is awake,

"You mean the tutor that was her  
The man laughs in some amusement  
"There are not many tutors,  
lady, who can afford to give away  
hundred and twenty pounds a year

English brook trout grown in New Zealand rivers are now exported back to England in cold storage.

## On the Farm.

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in an attractive manner will find customers in even small villages, where others cannot make sales. The

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we take with us unwhorled when  
go."

EVERYTHING YOU SELL

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we take with us unwhorled when  
go."

SPRING SMILES.

## DAINTY DAIRYING









THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1898.

### The War News.

The Spanish-American war is dragging slowly along. The only event of importance during the past week has been the bombardment of the town of San Juan, on the island of Porto Rico, by Admiral Sampson's fleet. He claims to have demolished the batteries and caused great damage to the place. The Spanish accounts give a contrary report. Several efforts have been made to land men and supplies for the insurgents on the island of Cuba, but these attempts have been repelled by the Spanish forces and have not met with success.

The Spanish fleet has not yet been encountered by the United States fleet, though it has been reported at several places—first at the French island of Martinique, and afterwards at the Dutch island of Curacao, off the coast of Venezuela. The U. S. flying squadron which has been at Hampton Roads has also been sent in pursuit of the Spanish fleet, so that there are now two United States fleets in search of the elusive Spaniards, the one under Admiral Sampson, the other under Admiral Schley. The report of a naval battle may be looked for at any time.

The United States Government has decided to send a strong force to the Philippines to follow up Admiral Dewey's victory. The Spanish Government is also reported to be preparing to send a large force there with a fleet of war vessels. Should such be true there will be lively times at those far distant isles of the Pacific.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

The latest news from Mr. Gladstone reports that he is dying, and cannot survive many hours.

If the price of wheat holds until next autumn, we shall have to build a poorhouse for the noble army of money-lenders.

It is comforting to reflect that, despite the glare and horror of war, the gold output from the mines of Canada continues to increase.

The able editor of the Toronto World who describes a green lawn spangled with dandelions as "an eyesore" should take a course of lessons from the art critic.

With Italian taxes at 48 per cent on land rents, 84 per cent on house rents, and 183 on all yearly incomes over \$120, the only wonder is that revolution has not broken out long ago.

While certain American gentlemen are donating their millions for torpedo boats and batteries of artillery, some modest Canadian Croesus might win more enduring fame by subsidizing Prof. Kingsford's History of Canada. Such an act would be just as patriotic and it would certainly come cheaper.

Honorable gentlemen who are urging Great Britain to declare a preferential duty in favor of Canadian food stuffs, might take a day off occasionally and urge the C.P.R. to reduce its freight rates on Western Canada's cereals. They would thus vary their labors, and be quite as likely to succeed.

The plaintive cry of the Governor-General's Foot Guards that they have "nothing to wear" on May 24th, suggests the idea that more attention to shooting straight, and less to uniform, would make better soldiers of them. The Cubans have nothing to wear, but when it came to a tussle with the gorgeous troops of Spain, gold lace was at a discount. It isn't the epaulettes that make the hero.

The reluctance among Americans to volunteer for the war must not be attributed to cowardice, for the Yankees are without doubt among the very best fighters in the world. It is one thing, however, to fight for the defence of one's country and another to face starvation, malaria and yellow-fever in the swamps and jungles of Cuba for the glory and profit of the politicians and the Yellow Kid newspapers. If President McKinley could force a conscription in the halls of Congress, and among the editors, reporters and proprietors of the "New Journalism," he would rid the country of the most pestilent section of its population.

Lord Aberdeen has sent in his resignation as Governor-General of Canada, and it has been accepted by the home authorities. In a letter to the Premier he gives as the reason for taking this step "private and family claims and interests." It is not likely that he will leave Canada before October or November next. The usual term of office would have allowed him to fill the position for another year, and there will be general regret at his departure. Canada has been fortunate in having many eminent men sent to preside over the affairs of the country, but we believe none have been more popular than their Excellencies Lord and Lady Aberdeen, who have

reflected in this country all the virtues which distinguish the Queen. In their religious, domestic, social and public life they have been leaders on the path in this country similar to that which has been trod by the Queen in Great Britain. They have been successful in making themselves the religious influence, their benevolent motives, their broad, simple, social ideas felt throughout all sections of the people. It is probable that the Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen are personally known and personally esteemed by hundreds of thousands of Canadians instead of by the thousands with whom other governors have come in contact in a remarkable way.

### Debt in the Civil Service.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has declared that the immunity from garnishee proceedings which civil servants now enjoy should be abolished; and this opinion will be echoed by every honest man in the Dominion. The civil service has for too long afforded sanctuary to a minority of deadbeats, who have been a detriment to honest trade, and a disgrace to the honest civil servants. It is his more honorable colleagues. It is to be hoped that Sir Wilfrid's admirable ideas on this point will soon be embodied in an effective law. At present several honorable gentlemen at Ottawa are disgraced as to the precise terms of the statute, and it has consequently been abandoned for a time. Surely, however, there should be little ground for such a division, and we respectfully suggest the following form upon which all sides might unite. To wit:

"Be it enacted that all special privileges and immunities now enjoyed by government employees, in the matter of action for debt, be and are hereby abolished."

It will not require a lawyer to understand that; but on the other hand no lawyer could misunderstand it.

### Happiness and Contentment.

If we could only recognize our true wants, perceiving what is really advantageous, we should avoid much heartburnings, and many useless strainings. Happiness and peace of mind come only with content, and how little is needed to satisfy actual requirements! A well-ordered home; good, plain food; intelligent surroundings; simple recreations; and a modest demeanor would carry all through life with domestic happiness and public esteem.

But we are not content with our solid and permanent blessings. Our dress must be more expensive, our servants more numerous, our equipages more striking, our houses larger, and our furniture more costly, than those of our neighbors. With the humbler in circumstances it is the same. All are toiling for that which profiteth them not. Husbands and wives see little of each other. Parents and children are often barely acquainted, and frequently, although in the same house, do not meet from week's end to week's end. Either the struggle to live or the promptings of ambitious vanity keep the fathers working from early till late. Thus their lives pass away unrelieved by the true joys of existence, and unswetened by necessary leisure. Well may such say, in the words of the wisdom of Solomon: "What hath pride profited us? Or what good hath riches with our vanishing brought us? All these things are passed away like a shadow, and as a post that passeth by; and as a ship that passeth over the waves of the water, which when it is gone by, the trace thereof cannot be found, neither the pathway of the keel in the waves."

### Only a Little Thing.

Only a stray sunbeam? Yet it cheered a wretched abode—gladdened a stricken heart. Only a gentle breeze? It fanned aching brows, greeted many hearts by its gentle touch. Only a frown? But it left a sad void in the child's heart—quivering lips and tearful eyes. Only a smile? But how it cheered the broken heart, engendered hope, cast a halo of light around that sick bed. Only a word of encouragement, a single word? It gave the drooping spirit new life and led to victory. Always remember that a kind word can make not only human, but all dumb creatures happy.

The June Number of THE DELINEATOR is called the Early Spring Number. It has three full-page illustrations of Spring Costumes, and is exceptionally strong in every department. The College Girls in May appear in the most beautiful costumes, the latest color adding to the natural interest in the development of the stories. This month there are three excellent sketches of Life at Wellesley. A real bit of negro humor is to be found in the story of De Big Singin', by Jesse Beane Winston. Dr. Murray's article on Billions is sensible, practical and authoritative. A page of Girls' Interests and Occupations, by Lafayette McLaws, will be found suggestive for club work. The other departments are all well stocked. The Delineator is published by the Delineator Co., Limited. Subscription price of the Delineator \$1 a year, single copies 15c.

### Look at Our Bicycle Suits.

You men who ride a wheel and have any little boys, look at these suits. The suits are up-to-date and our prices are the lowest in the market for good goods. We will be pleased to show you the stock whether you wish to buy or not.

### Halloway.

Our village and community has been thrown into sorrow and mourning by the sudden death of the late Mrs. John Bass, one of the most respected residents. On the 27th ult., Mrs. Bass was stricken down with paralysis. A few hours later she lost all consciousness, and continued to sink until Thursday morning, the 29th ult., when she passed peacefully to the spirit world.

The deceased lady was born in the County of Grenville in the year 1830, was united in marriage with Mr. John Bass in 1850, and after a stay of seven years in Grenville Co., they removed to the County of Hastings, where they have continued to reside.

Mrs. Bass was a devoted wife, an affectionate mother, and a kind neighbor. By her sweet Christian spirit she won the affection and confidence of all who knew her. She was a member of the Methodist Church, and with the warmest zeal and truest integrity stood at all its interests.

In her home most conspicuously did she exemplify the principles of true womanhood.

The funeral service, which was largely attended, was conducted by Rev. A. L. Adair, a former pastor, who preached an appropriate sermon from I Peter, II, 7.

Revs. R. Duke, J. R. Bonner and R. L. Alvanley took part in the service, each bearing testimony to the high Christian character and sterling worth of the deceased.

The bereaved husband and family have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends.

### Chatterton Chips.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Fall grain and meadows are looking extra well at present and in fact all vegetation is well advanced for the time of year.

Jas. A. Bird is moving his barn this week and intends putting concrete walls under it.

Mrs. Chas. Vandervort is quite ill. Mr. Boardman is getting so he can walk again pretty well.

Thomas Howard has gone to make his fortune in the Quebec city and paper.

Wheels galore; there is hardly a house in the neighborhood but what can boast of one or more bicycles.

R. V. W.

### Wellman's Corners.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowne, of Frankford, spent Sunday with friends in Rawdon.

Mr. Arthur Smith, of Sidney, spent Sunday last with Mr. A. Hogle.

Mr. J. Irwin, of Campbellford, spent Sunday last with Mr. A. Hogle.

Mr. Jos. Hogle is said to be improving slowly.

Miss Trickle, who has for the past few years held the position of clerk in the post office and General Post Office, has resigned.

She started for home on Saturday last. Miss Smith, formerly of Peterboro, will occupy the position.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hurlst, spent Sunday with friends near Frankford.

Miss Montgomery, of Stirling, is visiting her brother James, Rawdon Station.

### Foxboro Notes.

From Our Own Correspondent.

The Ladies Aid Society of Foxboro South Church intend having an ice-cream social on the evening of May 24th. Cake and ice-cream will be served after which the program will be furnished by the pupils of Miss Lily Foster.

Mr. Alex. Longwell has returned home from attending Queens University Kingston.

Miss Minnie Loyd, of Belleville, was the guest of Miss Lily Foster last Saturday.

W. C. T. U. will hold a public meeting May 30th in the South Church.

A number of citizens of our town are improving the looks of their property by giving their houses an application of paint.

Miss Lottie Ashley is again able to be out after being confined to the house several weeks on account of scarlet fever.

### Brotherly Love.

TO DAVID GREEN.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—We, the Committee of Loyal Workers Lodge No. 106, C.O.F., take this opportunity of expressing to you our heartfelt sympathy in this, the hour of your bereavement. In the loss of your mother and revered father, while our sympathy is extended to you and yours, we know little compared with the Great Sympathizer. He it was that was your father's consolation in all his loneliness and sorrow. He also was guiding and comfort to the other shore. We trust you will receive from that source consolation that which will keep you until the time comes for you to join your beloved father where parting is no more.

JOHN HOLLEY, G. O. T. C., Committee. Stirling, May 10th, 1898.

TO GEORGE H. CONLEY. DEAR SIR AND BRO.—We, the undersigned committee on condolence appointed by Loyal Workers Lodge No. 106, C.O.F., take this opportunity of expressing to you our sympathy in the loss of your father. But while we may wish to assure you of our sympathy, we realize how inadequate words are to convey that comfort which only our Heavenly Father can give. He has promised to bind up the broken-hearted, and to comfort them that mourn. We trust that when this life closes with you and yours, you may all meet where parting never comes, and where the word "good-bye" is never heard.

JOHN HOLLEY, G. O. T. C., Committee. Stirling, May 14th, 1898.

Pictou High School was considerably damaged by fire on Saturday evening last.

### Boys' House Suits.

Now is the time to be looking after the little boys' house suits. The little boys have some very pretty new things that are up-to-date. Prices \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50. Send in the order for your suit, not going to be worn this season. Everything nice comes in suits.

### School Board Meeting.

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Education, held May 5th.

Members present—T. G. Clute, Chairman; A. Chard, J. Holdrick, J. Donk, Dr. Sprague, O. Vandervoort, and F. T. W.

The following accounts were on motion ordered to be paid:

W. J. Chard, ten days' work at \$10.00

Oakley Vandervoort, points for Public School, \$30.00

Moved by Mr. Holdrick, seconded by Mr. Vandervoort, that Geo. E. Kennedy be the Examiner at the approaching Entrance Examination. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Chard, that a quorum of the Finance Committee in conjunction with the Property Committee be empowered to pass account for the material for the new fence at Public School. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Chard, that the High School grounds on Arbor Day. Carried.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN S. BLACK, Secretary.

A mica mine has been opened at Deep Lake, North Hastings.

Don Godfrey's famous band will be at Belleville on the 26th of May.

British and American papers, including The New York Sun, warmly endorse the proposed Anglo-Saxon alliance. France and Spain resent it.

Miss Margaret Smith, a Middlesex school teacher, was fined \$5 and costs, \$8.25 in all, or twenty days in jail for hitting a pupil on the head with a hard maple ruler.

The Kingston Board of Education has adopted progressive ideas in regard to cheap school books. Each pupil will be supplied with an outfit of books at a small yearly fee.

In the burning of Le Metairie auxiliary of the General Hospital at St. Hyacinthe, Que., six persons are known to have perished, four are missing and several badly injured.

Dr. Chauncey Depew, speaking in New York, said that only Great Britain and the English people prevented the concert of Europe driving the Americans out of the Philippines or forcing war upon them. He added: "The two great English-speaking countries standing shoulder to shoulder is the most inspiring and magnificent spectacle of the century."

A Snap in Men's Socks.

When the Oak Hall bought Gough's stock last fall, a lot of fine socks were put away as it was out of season for them. The lot is composed of all kinds of fancy stripes, prices up to 50c. per pair. You may take your pick, 2 pairs for 50c.

St. JOHN'S CHURCH, Stirling.

The members of the congregation of St. John's Church, Stirling, are requested to attend a meeting at the Church on Friday evening, May 20th inst., at 7.30 o'clock. As matters of the most urgent and immediate importance to the Parish will be considered, we would like every member of the congregation to be present.

J. EARL HALLIWELL, Churchwardens. JOHN GORDON, G. E. CRYER, Clerk.

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Being east half of Lot number 18, 1st Con. of Rawdon, 3 miles west of Stirling village, about 90 acres. Farm in good state of cultivation, well watered, and good buildings. It is convenient to church, school or cheese factory. For further particulars apply to

AUSTIN HUBBLE, Foxboro, Ont.

Court of Revision.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Court of Revision for the Municipality of the

TOWNSHIP OF RAWDON

will be held at the Town Hall, Harold, on

Monday, the 30th Day of May, 1898,

at 10 o'clock, a.m., for the purpose of hearing and determining all complaints against the assessment for the current year. All parties desiring to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Springbrook, May 10, 1898. T. P. Clerk.

Court of Revision.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Court of Revision for the Municipality of the

Village of Stirling, will be held at the

Council Chamber, on

Monday, May 30th, 1898,

at the hour of 8 o'clock, p.m., for the purpose of hearing and determining all complaints against the assessment for the current year. All parties desiring to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Stirling, May 11th, 1898. J. S. BLACK, Clerk.

## CARPET TALK.

The best is not too good when you want a covering for your floor. There is one maker of Carpets that stands out pre-eminently above all others, and that maker is CROSSLEY. They are recognized as leaders in the Carpet business all over the world. Then the best of it is their Carpets do not cost you any more than inferior makes. Why not have the best? We are Crossley's agents for this district, and are showing a large range of their latest 1898 patterns.

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We have lately received from the best Lace Curtain Makers in England a large range in White and Cream at specially low prices. Splendid values at 25c., 38c., 50c., 75c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 up to \$5.00 a pair.

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JOHN SHAW.

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Is no doubt contemplated by many at this beautiful season of the year. To such I should like to say, I represent, among others, the following steamship lines:

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## TO BOOT AND SHOE PURCHASERS.

! Possibly there are some readers of the "News-Argus" that are not aware that we have a regular Boot & Shoe Department. To those, as well as to our many customers who have been availing themselves of the Bargains to be found in this Department, we wish to announce

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Men's, Women's and Children's Boots, Shoes & Rubbers at sweeping reductions. Mr. Alex. McDonell, formerly of Stirling, will be happy to meet his many friends in this department.

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# THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

## THE VERY LATEST FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER.

Interesting Items About Our Own Country.  
Great Britain, the United States,  
All Parts of the Globe, Condensed and  
Assorted for Easy Reading.

### CANADA.

Guelph's rate of taxation is 24 mills.  
The Stikine River is open for navigation.  
Bertha's tax rate has been struck at 17.54 mills.

The Northwest elections will be held next October.  
Over 5,000 immigrants arrived at Winnipeg last month.

A submarine cable is to be laid between Vancouver and Dyak.  
Western miners are asking for an increased duty on lead imports.

The Hamilton Gas Company has increased its dividend to 30 per cent.  
Hamilton citizens have given seventy plots of land for use as potato patches.

The London City Council fixed the rate of taxation for 1898 at 21.2 mills on the dollar.

A. T. Brydges, a Hamilton Klondiker, who left about a year ago, has returned, poorer by \$600.  
Corporal McNeil of the Northwest Mounted Police jubilee contingent committed suicide at Vancouver.

Five Spaniards, cigar-makers, have arrived in Hamilton, Ont., from New York, and will live there.  
It is rumored at Kingston that Mr. George H. Herbert, M.P., will purchase the locomotive works there.

The entire town of Northport, British Columbia, was wiped out by fire, but the La Roca mine was unharmed.  
Andrew P. Scott, former cashier of the insolvent Farmers' Savings & Loan Company, has returned to Toronto.

Hamilton temperance people are organizing on the assumption that the plebiscite will be taken in September.  
The navigation season has opened at Montreal with a rumb.

The receipts of grain were the largest on record.  
Last month the C.P.R. sold \$145,000 worth of bonds for M.P., or four times as much as was sold in April, 1897.

Hon. Sidney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, will visit Great Britain this year and may attend the Paris Exposition.

Mrs. Shortle has arrived at Montreal from Ireland. She will visit her son at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary.

Mrs. May of Ashburnham got her foot caught between a plank and a rail at Peterboro' and was killed by a C.P.R. express.

The celebrated La Roca mine has passed into the hands of a British syndicate. Three million dollars was the consideration.

The influx of Americans to Toronto to escape the inconvenience occasioned by the Spanish-American war, promises to be large.

The members of the Canadian Marine Association have given up all hopes of having the canal opened for Sunday this season.

Mrs. D'Alton McCarthy, Q. C., M.P., was thrown from his dogcart Sunday night, and received injuries which cause grave apprehension.

Mrs. Patrick Conovan, on trial at Woodstock, N. B., on a charge of murdering her sister, Minnie Tucker, has been found guilty.

A rumor is current at Stratford that all Grand Trunk employees over 50 years of age engaged in the shops are to be discharged.

H. M. S. ship Policeman, which arrived at Halifax on Saturday, is to be fitted out for the Newfoundland fishing protection service.

Clearance in the Winnipeg clearing house during April aggregated \$2,020,000, compared with \$1,612,000 for the corresponding month of 1897.

The jury in the Sternmann murder trial first reported a disagreement, and afterwards returned a verdict of "not guilty." The prisoner was then set at liberty.

The Welsh Railway people intend putting a good service on the South and Grand Trunk line between Detroit and Buffalo. There will be four trains daily each way.

Convict McGuire, of Cobourg serving a life sentence in Kingston penitentiary for attempted murder, has completed a large oil painting of Christ's ascension.

Preparations are being made for the enlargement of the Provincial Parliamentary library at Toronto to admit the books which have been purchased from Sir Oliver Mowat.

Cyrus Seymour, who has served three terms in jail for horse stealing and bigamy, has been arrested at Kingston with a stolen horse and carriage in his possession.

On Friday the steamer W. R. Lynn brought 232,000 bushels of corn to Owen Sound harbor. This is thought to be the largest cargo of corn ever floated in fresh water.

An extensive snowdrift occurred on the line of the C. P. R. near Glacier House and broke through 200 feet of snowdrift. Luckily the snowdrift had passed. There will be no interruption of traffic.

Mr. C. Ross, president of the Ottawa Board of Trade, has accepted an invitation to the meeting of the British Association in September next on the occasion of the Claret memorial celebration at Bristol.

The Humane Society has awarded the parchment of the society to John Davitt, the Irish agitator is dead at St. Joseph, Mich.  
The claim is made that the American

an roads are boycotting the Soo branch of the C.P.R.  
By John Y. McKenna, the former Cony Island political leader, was released from Sing Sing on Saturday.

Large quantities of gunnys (shellfish) are being sent to Montreal for export. Effect of the war.

Waterpouss and tornadoes have resulted in loss of life and great destruction of property in Arkansas.

The Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain railroad has been sold under mortgage foreclosure for \$2,000,000.

At Jericho, in Cedar County, Mo., a torpedo killed thirteen persons outright and fatally injured five or six more.

Maus Bros. and Wolf Bros., Cincinnati, shoe factories, each seven stories, were burned on Friday morning. Loss \$300,000.

A great Catholic demonstration is being held in New York in celebration of the silver jubilee of Archbishop Corrigan.

Fire at Chicago on Wednesday destroyed Armour's felt works, at a loss of \$250,000. The fire caused a panic among the employees, and many were killed.

One hundred and thirty-five passes, giving permission for correspondents of newspapers to accompany the army, have been issued by the War Department.

Mildred Brewster, on trial at Montpelier, Vt., for the murder of Anna Wheeler, of whom she was jealous, was acquitted on the ground of insanity.

Edward Gruen, who is really Baron Unterreiter, has confessed to the immigration agent that he stole \$7,000 from his employer.

The Cramp Shipbuilding Company of Philadelphia has received an order from the United States Government for the construction of two important vessels, one a battleship and the other a protected cruiser.

Jacob Gramm, aged 50, of Morton Street, New York, on Tuesday murdered two of his children, mortally wounded a third, and then inflicted fatal wounds on himself. The murdered children were five and one year old.

The other one is seven years old.  
Lewis Warner, president of the County National Bank of Northampton, Mass., is wanted for the embezzlement of ten to fifteen thousand dollars. The issuance of a warrant was the result of a meeting of the bank examiner and the directors of the institution.

The First National Bank of Carthage, N.Y., has closed its doors. The president of the bank, E. H. Myers, has absconded. An investigation of his accounts revealed the fact that he has been defrauding the bank for some years. The amount of the defalcation is estimated at \$110,000.

A fire broke out in the California theatre, San Francisco, at which Madame Neiba was killed. The fire was in the main building, but the people, disregarding the statement of the manager, rushed out, and the result was that no one was severely injured. Madame Neiba fainted on the stage.

The contractors engaged on corporation work for the city of New York have decided in self-defence to suspend operations owing to the decision of the controller, that the city has no money to pay for the work, and that no funds will be available for the completion of much work under contract. Forty thousand men are thus thrown out.

GENERAL.  
Bread riots continue at Pienaga, Italy.

Prince Koung, President of the Chinese Foreign Office, is dead at Canton.

Mr. and Mrs. Cain and the Misses Archer, Hatfield and Schenck American missionaries, were murdered in Sierra Leone.

Fourteen escaped prisoners from New Manamoa, New Guinea, are reported to have attacked a neighboring village, killing and eating 18 men.

The Transvaal Government wants a loan, and it is said that neither Germany nor England will negotiate until more concessions have been granted.

25,000 TROOPS NEEDED IN MANILA.

The Small Force the United States Proposes to Send Will Be Utterly Inadequate.

A despatch from Hong Kong says—A rumor has been cable that 5,000 American troops were assembling at San Francisco for service in Manila.

The United States Government is familiar with the situation in the Philippines, who says that the United States could not do a more useless thing than to send a small force of troops there.

"The plague," he says, "is rampant at Canton, and growing in virulence at Hong Kong. Where more Europeans have been attacked this year than ever before. The Manila climate will be the death of more than half of those sent out here in the fall of 1898. Besides, they will be of little or no use. Five hundred troops are enough to take the field against the Spanish. If the latter are able to fight at all, and if the United States is to be helped, the United States should send a force of 25,000 men, not a few hundred. The idea of occupying the Philippines permanently. No troops should be sent there until the United States has secured 25,000 men should be landed at Manila. Unacclimated recruits will die like flies during the summer."

TORPEDO BOAT BLOWN UP.

A despatch from London says—A despatch to the Globe from Gibraltar says a British steamer, which has just arrived there, reports officially that she passed on Tuesday evening a Spanish torpedo-boat destroyer, which was guarding Algiers bay and the Straits.

Shortly after the steamer passed her all the lights of the destroyer suddenly extinguished. A terrific explosion followed immediately, and the destroyer disappeared.

The boat is probably the Destructor. It was a steel torpedo gunboat, 192 feet 6 inches long, 48 tons displacement and had a crew of 50 men.

## SANK WHILE FIGHTING.

### SPANISH SAILORS NAILED THEIR COLORS TO THE MAST.

Story of the Manila Battle. While No Am ship was killed and only six inured the Spanish losses were very heavy.

A despatch from Hong Kong says—Among naval men, military men, and Spanish sailors, there are no more devoted to duty than the Spanish sailors. Here today there is one subject of discussion, the annihilating victory of the American fleet under Commodore Dewey over the Spanish fleet commanded by Admiral Montijo, in Manila bay on Sunday last. Owing to the fact that the cable between this port and the Philippines was not in working order, having been cut, it is said, some distance from the capital of the islands, there has been delay in obtaining a detailed account of the battle, and facts in the case were only available when the United States gunboat Hugh Stirling arrived here yesterday.

And then the tremendous pressure of business suddenly thrown upon the cable company necessarily made the accounts of the engagement somewhat brief. Commodore Dewey's orders were to capture or destroy the Spanish fleet, and never were instructions executed in so complete a fashion. At the end of seven hours, there was absolutely nothing left of the Spanish fleet but a few relics.

The American commander had most skillfully arranged every detail of the action, and apparently even the most insignificant features were carried out with perfect punctuality and in railroad time-table order. At the end of the action Commodore Dewey anchored his fleet in the bay before Manila, and sent a message to Governor-General Augustin, announcing the destruction of the blockade, and adding that if a shot was fired against his ships he would destroy every battery about Manila.

SPANISH HEAVY LOSSES.

The position occupied by the Spanish the support which their ships received from the land batteries and the big guns they had ashore, gave them an enormous advantage. Therefore, when it is considered that the Spaniards lost over 600 men in killed and wounded, that all their ships, amounting to fourteen, were destroyed, and that their naval arsenal at Cavite was also destroyed with its defenses, it will be more apparent that the victory of the American commander is one of the most complete and wonderful achievements in the history of naval warfare.

Not more than a ship was damaged to any extent, and only six men were injured slightly on board the Baltimore.

ORDER OF BATTLE.

The order of battle taken up by the Spaniards was with all the small craft inside the stone and the timber breakwaters of Cavite harbour. The larger ships of Spain cruised off Cavite and Manila. The American fleet entered Manila bay on Sunday morning, and the greatest of ease. The Spaniards had not established a patrol and there were no searchlights at the entrance of the bay. In fact, the American ships were probably have passed inside the bay without any challenge had it not been that some sparks flew up from the McDermott, which was in a position near the shore, awaiting dawn in order to commence hostilities.

OPENED AT DAWN.

The early hour of the morning revealed the opposing ships to each other, and the Spanish fleet opened fire. Her action was followed by some of the larger warships, then the Cavite batteries opened up, and the Spanish vessels brought their guns into play. The American squadron, which had been led into the bay and through the channel by the flagship Olympia, did not reply, though the shots of the Spaniards began to strike the water around their ships.

MINES EXPLODED.

When seeing Baker Bay a sudden upheaval of water a short distance ahead of the Olympia showed that the Spaniards had exploded a mine. This was followed by a second and similar explosion. They were both unsuccessful. The American fleet was then drawing nearer and nearer to the Spaniards, whose gunnery was very poor, the shots from the Cavite batteries and from the Spanish ships being equally badly aimed, either falling short or going wide of the mark.

When the American fleet entered the bay, coming through the southern channel, between Cavite and Fila de los Angeles, the Spanish fleet, the flagship Olympia, the Baltimore, the Raleigh, Concord, Boston, Patrol, and McCulloch, with the two store ships, the Albatross and the Albatross, were in line of battle outside of Cavite at that time, with the four gunboats and the torpedo boats inside the harbor.

A HAIL OF SHOT.

The American ships then passed backwards and forwards six times in the bay until within five thousand yards of the enemy, when the real battle began. The Reina Christina, Castilla, Don Antonio de Ulloa, Isla de Cuba, Isla de Luzon, and the Albatross were in line of battle outside of Cavite at that time, with the four gunboats and the torpedo boats inside the harbor.

American fleet relieved for breakfast, and, incidentally, a council-of-war was held on board the Olympia.

By this time the Spanish ships were in a desperate condition. The flagship Reina Christina, was riddled with shot and was believed to be on fire. The Castilla was certainly on fire and soon afterwards the Reina Christina became worse and worse, until they were eventually taken to the water's edge.

IRRAVE SPANIARDS.

The Don Antonio de Ulloa made a most magnificent show of desperate bravery. When her commander found she was so torn by the American shells, he ordered her to be set on fire, and he himself, with all hands fighting to the last, her hull was completely riddled, and her upper deck had been swept clean by the awful fire of the American guns, but the Spaniards, though their vessel was sinking, held on, and continued working the guns on her lower deck until she sank beneath the waves.

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THE FINISHING TOUCHES.

The Miranda was in the mouth of the bay, and the Spanish small craft had sought shelter from the steel storm beneath the breakwater. The Miranda, which was started about 5.30 a.m., and adjourned at 8.30 a.m., was resumed about noon, when Commodore Dewey sent a message to the Spaniards, telling them to surrender. The Spaniards, however, refused to do so, and the battle continued.

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150 SPANIARDS KILLED.

On the other hand about 150 men are said to have been killed on board the Spanish flagship, which was totally destroyed. The Spanish gunboat, the Reina Christina, was the last to be destroyed. She was riddled with shot and was believed to be on fire. The Castilla was certainly on fire and soon afterwards the Reina Christina became worse and worse, until they were eventually taken to the water's edge.

TERMS OF CAPITULATION.

The terms of the capitulation were still unsettled when the McCulloch left Manila. The Spanish commander, Admiral Montijo, was ordered to surrender. The Spaniards, however, refused to do so, and the battle continued.

According to reports current here the American admiral will insist by the necessary upon the Spanish admiral accepting a temporary truce, the terms of the United States, the desire being, it is alleged, to avoid disturbing the peace of the Philippines. It is pointed out that the insurgents of the Philippines are quite unfit to participate in their Government. However, the American admiral, Admiral Dewey, does not meet the views of Washington in this matter. The American needs of the islands for the United States, so soon as he receives the necessary troops and supplies from San Francisco.

It is said that the Spaniards did not get under steam until after the surrender. The Spanish commander, Admiral Montijo, was ordered to surrender. The Spaniards, however, refused to do so, and the battle continued.

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## DESTROYED BOAT RETURNS.

The United States gunboat Hugh McCulloch, which arrived here on Friday with despatches from Admiral Dewey, left here at three o'clock this afternoon. Greenwich time, on her return to Manila, after it is understood, sailing for the Philippines.

A despatch from Key West says—There was an engagement off Cardenas, near Matanzas, Wednesday, at 10 o'clock in the afternoon. The United States cruiser Wilmington, commanded by C. C. Todd; the torpedo boat Winslow, and the auxiliary gunboat Hudson were engaged. One officer and seven men were killed and several were wounded.

The engagement took place inside the harbor of Cardenas. The cruiser Wilmington, the torpedo boat Winslow, and the gunboat Hudson were the only vessels engaged. They entered the harbor for the purpose of attacking some Spanish gunboats which were known to be there. But the latter were not discovered by the Americans until the Spaniards opened fire. The land batteries of Cardenas supported the fire of the Spanish gunboats. The engagement commenced at 2.05 p.m. and lasted for about an hour.

The wounded are R. E. Cox, gunner's mate; D. McKewen, quartermaster; J. Patterson, fireman; E. Gray; and Lieut. J. B. Bernadine. All are slightly wounded. Lieut. Patterson, whose condition is serious.

BATTLE WAS TERRIFIC.

The battle while it lasted was terrific. The Wilmington and the Hudson were ahead, and opened fire on the Spanish boats, which were lying at a range of 3,500 yards.

A few minutes after the firing began the Winslow came up, and also opened fire. In an instant the entire attention of the Spanish gunboats and land batteries were directed upon her. From all sides shot and shell seemed to pour in upon the little torpedo boat.

The Wilmington and the Hudson still kept up their fire, but they could not turn aside the terrible storm of fire and death pouring in upon the torpedo boat.

The crew of the Winslow, however, never faltered for a second. But at 2.35 p.m. a solid shot crashed into the hull of the Winslow and knocked out her boiler. In an instant she was disabled, and she began to roll and drift helplessly.

Then there was a moment of awful suspense. A fierce cheer of triumph went up from the Spaniards on the land, and the range grew closer and closer. The gunboat Hudson, which was lying near by, started to the assistance of the Winslow. She tried to throw a line to the imperiled crew.

A DISASTROUS SHOT.

Up to this time, with the exception of the shot which disabled the boiler of the Winslow, the firing of the Spanish gunboats had been wild, but as the Winslow lay rolling in the water, the range grew closer and shells began to explode all about her.

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The battle while it lasted was terrific. The Wilmington and the Hudson were ahead, and opened fire on the Spanish boats, which were lying at a range of 3,500 yards.

A few minutes after the firing began the Winslow came up, and also opened fire. In an instant the entire attention of the Spanish gunboats and land batteries were directed upon her. From all sides shot and shell seemed to pour in upon the little torpedo boat.

The Wilmington and the Hudson still kept up their fire, but they could not turn aside the terrible storm of fire and death pouring in upon the torpedo boat.

The crew of the Winslow, however, never faltered for a second. But at 2.35 p.m. a solid shot crashed into the hull of the Winslow and knocked out her boiler. In an instant she was disabled, and she began to roll and drift helplessly.

Then there was a moment of awful suspense. A fierce cheer of triumph went up from the Spaniards on the land, and the range grew closer and closer. The gunboat Hudson, which was lying near by, started to the assistance of the Winslow. She tried to throw a line to the imperiled crew.

Up to this time, with the exception of the shot which disabled the boiler of the Winslow, the firing of the Spanish gunboats had been wild, but as the Winslow lay rolling in the water, the range grew closer and shells began to explode all about her.

It was difficult for the Hudson to get near enough to throw a line to the Winslow's crew, so terrible was the fire all about her. Finally, after trying for about 20 minutes, the Hudson assigned near enough to throw a line.

Ensign Bagley, and six men were standing in a group on the deck of the Winslow, when a heavy shot, which struck the boiler of the Winslow, disabled the boiler of the Winslow, and she began to roll and drift helplessly.

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THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1898.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

An interesting sketch of the life of the late Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone will be found on one of the inside pages of this paper.

Mr. Goldwin Smith is out against the Anglo-American Alliance. Apparently the only thing to satisfy Mr. Smith is an alliance between Canada and Uncle Sam against the country which gave him birth.

About 400 years ago the Spaniards swept the Jews out of the southwest corner of Europe, and now the great Tannites are making movements to aid in the conquest of Cuba. Thus we have further confirmation of the old theory that the worm will turn.

The good Archbishop Ireland says that he is tired of temporising with the liquor traffic, and is now going in, in good earnest, to wipe the business out of existence. More power to his elbow. If all bishops, priests and deacons were to take such a tone, prohibition would be a fact instead of a theory.

There has been a death of war news during the past week. The only event of importance was the arrival of the Spanish fleet at Santiago de Cuba. The two United States fleets under Admirals Sampson and Schley are endeavoring to corner the Spanish fleet so as to bring on an engagement, and stirring news may be looked for any day.

The Queen has assented to the addresses of the House of Lords and House of Commons praying her majesty to grant a public funeral to Mr. Gladstone, and sanction the erection of a monument in his honor in Westminster Abbey. The funeral will take place on Saturday next, the 28th inst. A number of Americans resident in London, admirers of Mr. Gladstone, propose erecting a monument in his honor, and it is suggested that each State in the Union be asked to contribute a block of stone for the pedestal of the statue.

The duty of loyal Canadians is to increase in every possible way the good feeling which is so happily springing up between Great Britain and the United States. We may have our own feelings of enmity, which have grown up through decades of not too pleasant intercourse with our republican neighbors; but these should be forgotten, or at least laid aside, until Uncle Sam gives new evidence of the old hostile feeling, which, however we hope has been stilled for ever. The home government with the interests of the whole empire at stake, has spoken out for Anglo-Saxon unity, and it is not for Canadians, with a few local grievances in mind, to place a word, or even look, against the realization of that great project. If John Bull and Uncle Sam stand ready to bury their hatchets, Jack Canuck cannot get his own little tomahawk under ground any too quickly.

In this country, as well as in Great Britain, the death of Gladstone comes to men of all parties alike, with a grief which is almost personal. In a country of conflict, selfishness, free-thought, and a falling away from ancient ideals, Mr. Gladstone stood above all men, a rallying point for everything that was honest, honorable, pure and God-fearing. Well nigh peerless in oratory and statescraft, indifferent to titles and vast wealth, eminent alike in literature and scholarship, he was above all a Christian gentleman, a father, husband and patriot. The public that he loved, not always trusted him. It is idle to say that he never erred, but on the last day, when kings, and the leaders of nations, stand forth for judgment, and the good in their lives is balanced against the ill, few in this, or any age, will be there whose records are so brave, clean and honorable, as that of William Ewart Gladstone.

There are many ways in which Canadians may aid in the re-establishment of Anglo-American brotherhood. The joint celebration of the Queen's birthday by the two Nations was a great stroke in international politics. This presence of an American militia corps at the Kingston festivities was an excellent idea. And in five weeks time—on Dominion Day—another opportunity will be afforded for an intermingling of the two peoples, which should be taken full advantage of wherever possible.

The fourth of July will be celebrated this year with the usual enthusiasm, and with a more kindly feeling toward Great Britain than ever before; and it would be quite proper for Canadian municipalities to send letters of congratulations, or even delegations, to those American towns with which they are most closely affiliated. Telegraphic or mail communication between more distant towns would be in order, and the congratulations of Sudbury, Rat Portage or Owen Sound would be well received in Savannah, Tallahassee, Tampa and Key West. It is to be hoped that these opportunities will not be neglected.

Death of Mr. Gladstone.

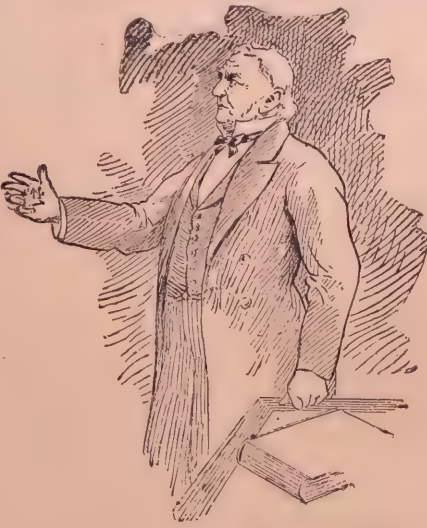
On Thursday morning last there passed away the greatest man of the nineteenth century, one whose life stood boldly out above all others. He was not only great by the preeminence of his abilities as a statesman, but great as a man who worked for the best interests of mankind in general. In consequence not only all Great Britain mourns, but other nations and people as well.

His death caused a profound feeling of regret in the Imperial House of Commons, where he was for so long time leader; and also at four different times premier of Great Britain.

from science. His religion, though it did not make him gloomy, made him habitually serious. Hence arose the fiction that he had no humor. This curious delusion seems to have arisen from the undoubted fact that he had never been induced to laugh at anything profane; but he was a master of irony and sarcasm. Moreover, nobody laughed more heartily over an anecdote that was really good. Different people, unless they saw him often, got very different ideas of him. He was many men in one; but he impressed all alike with the essential greatness of his character.

Lady Aberdeen's Touching Reference.

The death of Mr. Gladstone was alluded to in the meeting of the National



THE LATE RIGHT HON. W. E. GLADSTONE, P.C.

Born at Liverpool, Dec. 29, 1809. Died at Hawarden Castle, Wales, May 19, 1898.

The following tributes to his memory are worthy of reproduction:

The London Daily Chronicle says:—"A glorious life has been extinguished in the last year. Gladstone is dead, and all his life lies in the past, a memory to us and our children, an inspiration and possession forever. The man who came to be a soldier at his post. It found him calm, expectant, faithful, unshaken. Death has come robed in the terror of mortal pain, but what better can be said than that as he taught his fellows how to live, so he has taught them how to die. It is impossible at this hour to survey the mighty range of his splendid life. We would assign to him the title 'The great nationalist of the 19th century.' To Italy, Greece, Bulgaria, Montenegro and Belgium his name is hallowed; but beyond all we claim him as the patriot, the greatest of the master builders of modern England. Timidity had no place in Mr. Gladstone's soul, he was a lion among men, endowed with a granite strength of will and purpose rare indeed in our age of feeble convictions. His life presented aspects of charm to all minds. His learning captivated the scholar, his eloquence and statesmanship the politician, his financial genius the business man, while his domestic relations and simple human, graciousness appealed to all hearts.

The Daily News says:—"We cannot help dwelling upon the opinions which Mr. Gladstone held most strongly, and the sentiments which he felt most deeply, because they are the only key which unlocks his character and his life. One of his most characteristic qualities was his personal humility. This cannot be explained without the key, for Mr. Gladstone did not in the ordinary meaning of the word, undervalue himself. He was not easy to persuade. He paid little attention to other people's opinion when his mind was made up. He was quite sure of his own ascendancy in council, and his supremacy in debate. "On other questions he did, indeed, distrust his own judgment. On politics he did not; but the secret of his humility was his abiding sense that these things were of no importance compared with the relations between God's crea-

Council of Women of Canada, in session at Ottawa on Thursday last, in a very touching manner by her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen. Shortly before the morning meeting adjourned his Excellency the Governor-General entered the hall on the part of the Countess of Aberdeen's remarks her emotion overcame her many times. She said:—"My dear friends, I feel that as a National Council of Women who own allegiance to the British Empire, we now, in conference assembled, cannot refrain ourselves from sending a respectful expression of deepest, truest sympathy with her whose death of one of the greatest of Britain's sons has to-day left desolate. And yet it is hard for me to find words in which to ask you to join with me this expression. To-day the world mourns its loss of a great light and forgets all past differences. But I dare not speak much of Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone, for my husband and I have ever felt ourselves almost adopted children in their house. They are associated with the memories of our first childhood. I know the friends of both our parents, and Mr. Gladstone has often said to us that Lord Aberdeen's grandfather—the Premier—was the statesman of his earlier years whom he loved. And as time went on our lives became more and more secretly associated with theirs, both from a public and private standpoint. We spent our last night in the old country beneath their roof, and when I went home last year it was to Hawarden that I went first after landing, as a matter of course. I know that we both feel that if we have been able to try to follow any high ideal in public life, we owe it largely to him who looked on every part of his life as a mission. None of us know what the influence of Mr. Gladstone's life in the present and past generation of English public life has been in this direction. How often have we seen him come into a room where some subject was being discussed lightly and flippantly, and by his mere entrance all was changed. One of the earliest things I remember him saying

are richer for having lived in his day and generation, and that the world is a very different thing without him. But of her to whom I invite you to join with me in sending a message, so much is not known—at least as yet. He himself said that it would be known some day what he owed to her, but only those who were privileged to come near to her realize her rare ability, her wisdom, her discretion, her intense devotion to all that is beautiful and good, her self-sacrifice, her self-effacement and thought for others. But it was all an inspiration to us. They have had a beautiful life, and they will not long be divided. We thank God that they and we try to follow in their footsteps from afar, and we thank God that He has given His beloved sleep. May I send a message to Mrs. Gladstone for you?"

An Anglo-American Understanding.

It looks as if there were something behind Mr. Chamberlain's great speech, in which he said it might be worth while to have a terrible war if "in a great and noble cause the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack should wave together over an Anglo-Saxon alliance." It is not likely that he would have spoken so emphatically as he did unless an understanding had been arrived at between the two Governments. There may be no formal agreement, but the statement of Mr. McKinley that the American people would never forget the kindness of Britain when all the powers of Europe threatened to combine against the United States, the speech of Ambassador Hay in favor of an Anglo-Saxon alliance, known to have been approved by the United States Government, and the extraordinary speech of Mr. Chamberlain, all seem to indicate that there is really an understanding that these two great nations will help each other when danger threatens from a combination of hostile powers. It is also possible that the British Government has some knowledge, not yet made public, of an alliance of the European powers against Great Britain, formed in retaliation for the refusal of the British to join them in coercing the United States.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Court of Revision of the Municipality of the TOWNSHIP OF RAWDON will be held at the Town Hall, Harold, on Monday, the 30th day of May, 1898, at 10 o'clock, a.m., for the purpose of hearing and determining all complaints against the assessment for the current year. All parties desiring to give notice and govern themselves accordingly. Springbrook, May 10, 1898. T.P. Clerk. J. S. MCCONNELL.

COURT OF REVISION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Court of Revision for the Municipality of the Village of Stirling will be held at the Council Chamber, on MONDAY, MAY 30th, 1898, at the hour of 8 o'clock, p.m., for the purpose of hearing and determining all complaints against the assessment for the current year. All parties concerned will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly. J. S. BLACK, Clerk. Stirling, May 11th, 1898.

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The home of the late Mr. Gladstone.

tures and their creator. Mr. Gladstone once said, with characteristic candor, that he had a vulnerable temper. He was quickly moved to indignation by whatever he thought injustice, either to himself or others, and was incapable of concealing his emotions. For, if he said nothing, his countenance showed what he felt. More expressive features were never given to man.

Mr. Gladstone's exquisite courtesy, which in and out of Parliament, was a model for all, proceeded from the same source. It was essentially Christian. To consider him apart from religion would be like considering Tennyson apart from poetry, or Darwin apart







## HOUSEHOLD.

### THE VIOLET.

Here she is again the dear,  
Sweetest vestal of the year,  
In her little purple hood,  
Brightening the lonesome wood.  
No, who, something worn with care,  
Take the road, glad unawares.  
Joy that heartens, hope that thrills,  
Love our cup of life that fills.  
Since in Spring's remembered nook  
Lifting fair familiar looks,  
Once again, with curving grace  
In the same dear lowly place,  
Glad the usual sign has set  
In the tender violet.

### HOW TO FRESHEN LAST SEASON'S HAT.

Many of us have hats left from last season, that are just as good as new except they are soiled. We will tell the economical young woman, how they may be made to look as well as ever, provided she is inclined to make the effort.

In the first place a white straw hat should be well brushed and the stiffening wire removed, says a writer in *Boys's Monthly*. Then wash it over with a good sudso made of clear water and a white soap, scrub well with a nail brush. Then it should be rinsed by dipping it up and down in a clear water. If any stains still remain, a little lemon juice should be rubbed on the spot with the brush.

If more convenient, a diluted solution of oxalic acid may be used instead of lemon, but the greatest care should be taken to keep it out of the reach of children as it is deadly poison.

After the hat has been dried in the open air it should be sponged over with the white of an egg well beaten up; this will make the straw taut, and also complete the cleansing process. A large hat should be dried in a cool, airy place, and sometimes laid flat; but books are good to press them in shape.

To bleach straw there are several good methods that can be done at home with slight expense and trouble. The hat, after being scrubbed as directed above, should be suspended in a close barrel or box with burning sulphur.

Cover the barrel with a cloth to remain inside from one to two hours. Another way is to cover the hat over with a paste made of sulphur and water. It should be left in the sun and rubbed off with a stiff brush. If the hat is very much stained lemon juice should be used instead of water. In the same way, a solution of corn meal and vinegar may be used with great satisfaction.

### WATERING HOUSE PLANTS.

I am satisfied that not one person in twenty is aware that too much water is more dangerous to the plants than too little, says our contributor. There seem to be the idea that to take a watering pot in hand to supply the needs of plants is an easy duty, and that to give a dash here, and to soak the soil there, is all there is to the matter.

One thing is to be observed: All plants under all circumstances, and, indeed, the same plants under different circumstances, require the same amount of water. It is necessary, therefore, to study the nature and habits of kinds, and to water them accordingly to its needs. A vigorous blooming plant, say a fuchsia or geranium, might be said to represent the maximum need, while a plant in a state of rest, in cool damp weather, the minimum requirement as to this. Therefore, to give exactly the same quantity of water in both conditions named, would be to cause harm by not giving enough water to some and too much to others.

One safe rule is to wait until the ball of earth begins to get rather dry, and then to give enough water to moisten the soil through the drainage. Then to wait again until the former state of dryness is reached, be that time six hours or six days.

### A FEW PIES.

Orange Pie.—Squeeze the juice from 2 large oranges, grate the thin yellow mix together and save out 1 tablespoonful. Beat together 1-2 lb. of sugar and 1-4 lb. of butter; add yolks of 6 eggs beaten light and the orange juice. Stir in the whites of 4 eggs beaten to a froth and pour the mixture into a pie dish. Bake in a quick oven, and when done spread with a meringue made of the 2 remaining egg whites.

Apple Cream Pie.—One cup steamed apples, 1 cup sweet cream, sweeten to taste and flavor with cinnamon and lemon. Beat to a smooth cream, place in a rich crust and bake in a quick oven. Put the whites of 2 eggs and 1 lemon sugar, beaten to a stiff froth, on top with a wet brush. Bake for 10 minutes until a rich brown color.

Cranberry Pie.—Line a pie dish with plain pastry, then fill it with cranberries, add 1 cup molasses and 1 tablespoonful sugar. Cover with an upper crust and bake in a quick oven for 30 minutes.

Rice Pie.—Boil 1-2 cups milk until tender, after which add rice until it is a thin batter, the yolks of 4 eggs and 1 tablespoonful sugar. Bake with one crust until brown and spread over the top a frosting made by heating together the whites of 6 eggs and 1 cup sugar; flavor with lemon and put in the oven for 5 minutes.

### Plain Pie Pastry.—Cut 1 cup shortening into 3 cups flour; add 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon sugar and sufficient cold water to make a dough. Turn out on the board and roll from you. Fold and roll three times and it is ready to use. It is much better if it stands on the ice over night.

Quick Mince Pie.—Pare and chop 2 apples; add to them 2 broken crackers, 1 tablespoon vinegar and 1 tablespoon cherry, 1-4 cup sugar and 1-2 cup chopped raisins or clean currants. Add the grated rind of lemon and 1 teaspoon orange juice. Fill this into a pie dish lined with plain paste; cover and bake in a moderate oven for 30 minutes.

Chocolate Pie.—Take 1-2 coffee cups sugar, 1 tablespoon butter, yolks of 3 eggs, 1 cup sweet milk, 2 coffee cups flour and 1 teaspoon soda. For the filling, Whites of 3 eggs, beaten stiff, then add 1-2 coffee cups sugar, 3 tablespoons grated chocolate, 1 teaspoon vanilla. Beat all together and spread between the cake, which has baked in layers.

Cheese Fingers.—Take some fine, richly-flavored cheese; cut it in pieces about three inches long, and one inch wide; season very lightly with salt and pepper, dip in salt and oil and leave to soak for half an hour; then dip each piece, or finger, into a rich batter and drop it into boiling lard; fry until a golden-brown color, drain on paper, and drain carefully, sprinkle with finely-grated cheese, and serve on a folded napkin, garnish with sprigs of dried parsley. Serve hot.

Honey Muffins.—Two cups of fine hominy boiled and cold; beat it smooth, stir in three cups of sour milk, half a cup of melted butter, one and a half teaspoonful of salt, and one-half teaspoonful of white sugar; add three eggs well beaten, one scant teaspoon of soda dissolved in hot water, and one large cup of flour; bake quickly.

DEATH IN DISH-TOWELS.

Dish-towels are an important item in most families. One may have cheap and woolly hand-towels, very ordinary sheets and pillowcases, and many other things of inferior quality, but the good housekeeper knows, to her sorrow, what cheap dish-towels mean.

There is no doubt that the labor required if one has those of poor quality. The lint and dust from cheap goods cover the china and glass, and lodge in every nook and corner of her belongings. Round-thrust Russian crash is far and away the best dish-towel ever made, and it is the one that is used almost instantly, and can be used a long time before becoming unavailable because too wet. Who has not worried with the old-fashioned glass towels, which in common use, rubbing and twisting and patting, trying to make it absorb the water from the dishes while it is yet moist, and then the labor required when it begins to grow old. Russian crash is in perfect condition after the second or third time of using, and it should be washed thoroughly boiled whenever they are washed. Mere scalding does not answer the purpose. The intense heat of boiling water, and the use of one or two good health and cleanliness in the kitchen. A merely scalded dish-towel is unfit for the use of any Christian housewife, and it is the one that is used to remove the disease germs and impurities that may lodge in these domestic necessities. Because a dish-towel looks clean, it does not mean that it is clean. Many a family has had its number reduced by death because of the persistent refusal of the maid to boil the dish-towels. This should be done and remove the incipient causes of disease.

EXERCISE A BEAUTIFUL.

Is physical beauty worth cultivating? Women say it is.

And men say it is worth while for women to cultivate it.

Men have lived, and there may be some living now, for whom beauty has no charms.

However, it is not a question of taste, but of health and vigor. Some delicate, sickly or nervous women are pretty, attractive and lovable, but all healthy, vigorous, active women are handsome and command the attention of men.

Proper physical culture adds greatly to the attractiveness of women, but this is a small matter as compared with sound education, which is the foundation of all that is noble and beautiful in a woman's life.

It has long been conceded that school children should receive physical as well as mental culture, but it was thought that the former bore no sort of comparison to the latter. Now the better views of educators are coming to the conclusion that in point of value they are much the same.

Systematic exercise is good for grown people, and it rarely overcomes the defects that started in childhood, and which are being more and more generally attributed to defective physical development, the necessity for physical culture appears all the more imperative.

Not many we expect results too soon. Children receiving such culture are not so much benefited, but it is not until they have been fully developed will we be able to see the full benefits. As well as from school education before the individual has arrived at maturity.

The soil is in a healthy condition, and a healthy body is necessary to a healthy mind.

The average consumption of beer in Munich is four steins a day for each man, woman and child.

## THE ROSE CROP.

Gathering the rose crop in Southeastern Europe is now in progress, and in the regions where roses are grown, the summer is a busy time.

It is as much of an event as the strawberry crop in some parts of this country. It is estimated that from the middle of May until the middle of July over three-quarters of a million of people, mostly women and girls, are employed in gathering the roses, and the fact that this flower, generally esteemed solely for its beauty, should, by means of its petals, furnish employment and bread to so many people is one of the most singular phenomena of our complicated civilization. The belle in western countries needs a perfume, and the gazelle-eyed daughters of the Ganges, the jolly negro women of the world, the fairies of the East, the Arabes in Southern Algeria, French and Spanish peasant beauties in Herault and Bouches-du-Rhone; Italian girls of Lombardy; maidens not unlike of Athens, and of Greece and its isles; the wives of turbulent Turks, and shabby-clothed Bulgarians, all contribute to fill the demand.

The fair lady to whom the essence of attar of roses is only a delightful perfume has little idea of the labor necessary to produce it, of its importance to the countries where it is made, or of the races of people who, through its production, contribute to her pleasure.

It is, however, but one illustration of the fact that no part of the world's inhabitants is independent of the rest. Just as thousands of men and women in Sumatra and Borneo, in Ceylon and India, find the means of subsistence from the taste of the civilized world for pepper, so Asia and Africa, because in France, England and America, fashionable people have a taste for a rich perfume, are dependent on the rose.

The antiquity of the rose is so great that all account of its origin has been lost. It is not mentioned in the Biblical writings earlier than the reign of Solomon, but the allusion to it then made is such as to indicate that the flower had already long been known.

For the essence of roses was extensively used in Jerusalem and Judea during the reign of the luxurious and much-married King. In Egypt the rose is depicted on a number of very early monuments, believed to date from 3500 B.C., and in the tomb of an Egyptian prince, disinterred by the British in the desert, several hermetically sealed vials were found, which, when opened, contained genuine attar of roses, so that the modern claims for the discovery of this delicious perfume are vain. Rose water, or the essence of roses, is mentioned by Homer in the "Iliad"; Homer and Solomon were nearly contemporaneous. Both the Greeks and Hebrews probably borrowed the idea of its manufacture from the Egyptians, and these, for aught anybody can tell, may have had it from the Indians, the source of the rose for the latter claim for its discovery and its use in medicine, and to say incredible, native to the East.

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One safe rule is to wait until the ball of earth begins to get rather dry, and then to give enough water to moisten the soil through the drainage. Then to wait again until the former state of dryness is reached, be that time six hours or six days.

A FEW PIES.

Orange Pie.—Squeeze the juice from 2 large oranges, grate the thin yellow mix together and save out 1 tablespoonful. Beat together 1-2 lb. of sugar and 1-4 lb. of butter; add yolks of 6 eggs beaten light and the orange juice. Stir in the whites of 4 eggs beaten to a froth and pour the mixture into a pie dish. Bake in a quick oven, and when done spread with a meringue made of the 2 remaining egg whites.

Apple Cream Pie.—One cup steamed apples, 1 cup sweet cream, sweeten to taste and flavor with cinnamon and lemon. Beat to a smooth cream, place in a rich crust and bake in a quick oven. Put the whites of 2 eggs and 1 lemon sugar, beaten to a stiff froth, on top with a wet brush. Bake for 10 minutes until a rich brown color.

Cranberry Pie.—Line a pie dish with plain pastry, then fill it with cranberries, add 1 cup molasses and 1 tablespoonful sugar. Cover with an upper crust and bake in a quick oven for 30 minutes.

Rice Pie.—Boil 1-2 cups milk until tender, after which add rice until it is a thin batter, the yolks of 4 eggs and 1 tablespoonful sugar. Bake with one crust until brown and spread over the top a frosting made by heating together the whites of 6 eggs and 1 cup sugar; flavor with lemon and put in the oven for 5 minutes.

## THE AWAKENING.

The flowers have come—God's harbingers of summer.

Yesterday the first violet peeped above an old rose leaf and looked about the woods. The violet did not shiver. It was warm and the sweet sunshine beamed radiantly into the face of the flower child, all alone there in the great woods.

"Tell me," asked the Violet, with a tiny tenor in its baby voice, "what was it that awakened me when I was so soundly sleeping? Tell me."

"It was I," whispered the soft South Breeze.

"And why?" went on the Violet.

"Because morning has come and all your neighbors have arisen," answered the Breeze.

"And I am the last to open my eyes and welcome God's sunshine?" disconsolately pleaded the Violet with memories of other mornings when it had been the first to greet the birth of day.

"Yes," went on the Breeze, "you are the last this time."

"But I do not hear my neighbors nor see them!" the Violet could not but feel its own loneliness.

"If you were to crawl from beneath that old leaf," said the Breeze, "you would hear and see them."

Over on the left a Hymen had been his daily toil of making the world bright and glad, and he had been there for a long time.

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